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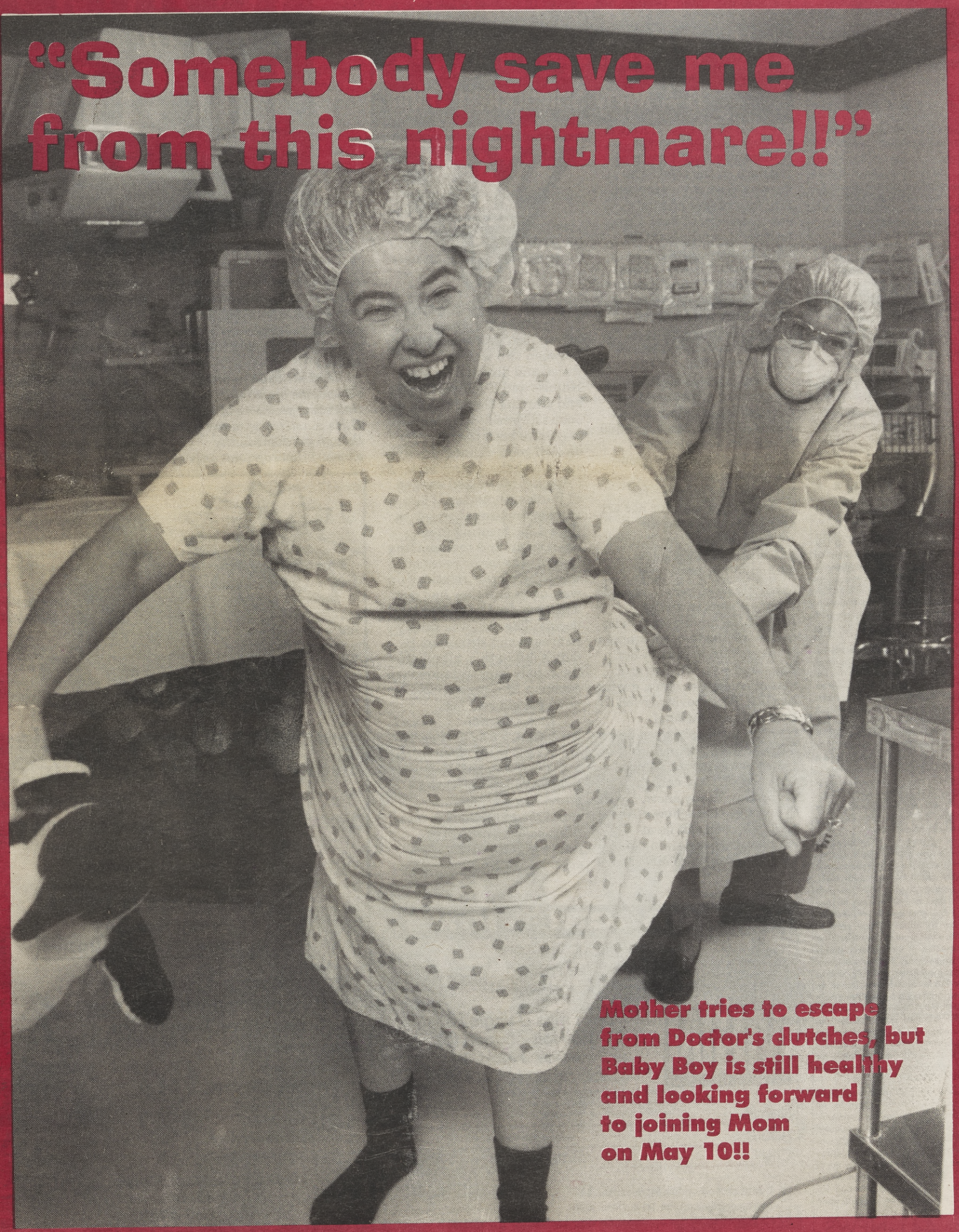

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OUT ON FILM

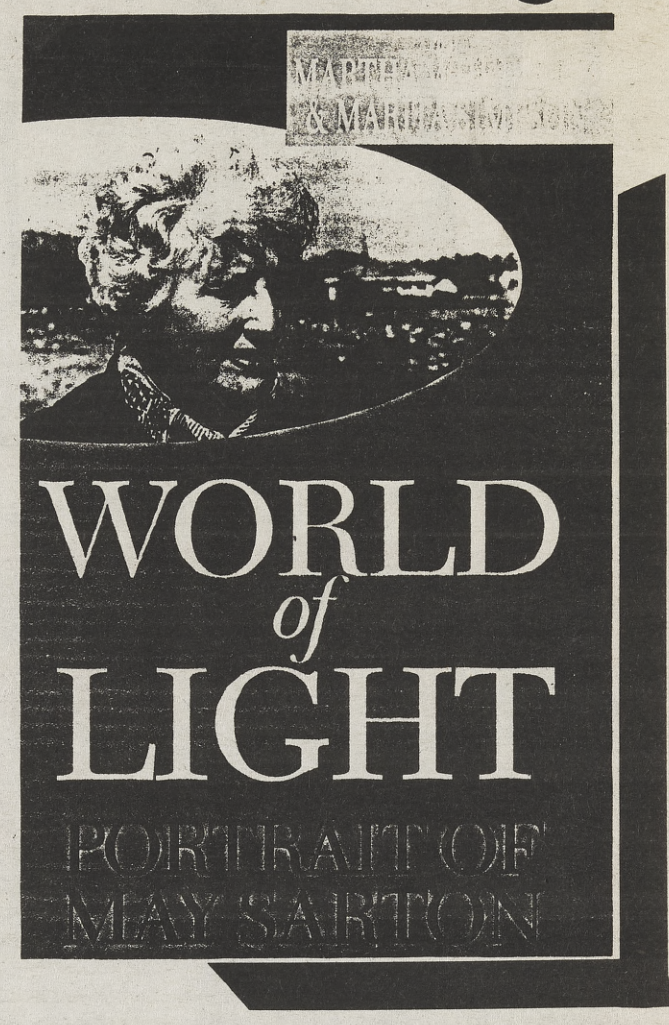
Lesbian film festival a mixed bag

Reviewed by Stefan Grünwedel
MGW/Staff

The Second Annual Lesbian Film Festival, sponsored by the Sacramento Area Career Women's Network (SACWN), consisted of a collection of productions by lesbian filmmakers this year.

The festival was held on Friday, April 21st, at the Capitol Plaza Halls and attracted plenty of enthusiastic women.

The night started off with Deborah Daliege's *Coming Out Is a Many Splendored Thing,* a collection of comedy sketches exploring the emotions of coming out. This was an amateur, somewhat sophomoric video, though not produced without gusto. Daliege was kept busy playing most of the roles! The various skits were grouped into four stages of coming out: discovery ("Wow, I'm a lesbian!"), analysis ("OK, what happens next?"), techniques ("How do I best meet others?"), and date (or not finding one, as the case more likely may be). Although there were some inspired moments, several sketches fell flat.



Next up was an intriguing portrait of poet and novelist May Sarton, called *World of Light.* Made in 1980 by Martha Wheelock and Marita Simpson, this documentary—entirely in Sarton's own words—revealed her passion for her art and desire and need for solitude, despite the unpleasant result of being alone. Although not portrayed explicitly as a lesbian, she was clearly a woman writer outside the mainstream, who was attracted to other women thinkers and writers of her day—and who affected and was affected by women during her life. This movie proved to be quite inspirational.

The third episode of *Dyke TV,* a lesbian production from New York came next. Aired last year on local cable's *Being Gay Today* show, *Dyke TV* clearly shows how effective television can be at educating, entertaining, and inspiring people to embrace their lesbianism or understand lesbians better. This show combined news, home movies, and political commentary to reveal dykes in the workplace, in the arts, and at play. Although some of the segments could have become full-fledged reports, they packed quite a bit in the hour-long show. This one is must-viewing for everyone interested in human affairs.

A Lesbian Comedy Video
COMING OUT Is A Many Splendored Thing

DYKE TV

Finally, *Et l'Amour* was shown, an "erotic interlude between two women." Produced and directed by Mary Kumiss and Ellen Seidler—and starring Gentry Lane and Joanna Morse—this venture may have been too artsy for its own good. Filmed throughout in a shaky, blurry style, *Et l'Amour* intermixed images of Paris with scenes of two women dressing themselves for a date, meeting in an apartment, and then making love. It was never revealed what their prior relationship was, or even if they had one. That was for the viewer to decide. The idea was simply to arouse and stimulate. It didn't fail in this, although its wobbly-cam technique (so common in commercials now) got old real fast.

In my opinion . . . since I am a man, I was only permitted to view these videos prior to the event. I wish I'd been in the company of festival-goers, however, to understand their reactions to these films better. I hope in the future that SACWN will accommodate men who show an interest in viewing these specially selected films. Perhaps SACWN could provide two screenings, one for women only and one open to all.

As I mention in another review, the crowd attending the recent premiere of Bar Girls consisted of many types, though predominantly women. However, not only did many men clearly enjoy the film, but even more straights will have to enjoy this and other films if we are to see more queer-oriented films appear in our mainstream theaters. Keeping these films to ourselves only keeps us entertained, while others remain ignorant and unchallenged.▼

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Hosts fund-raiser with Congressman Matsui

CAP/PAC dinner and auction in high gear

With the Seventh Annual CAP/PAC Dinner and Auction less than two months away, dinner committee members and the CAP/PAC board of directors are in full swing planning one of the key events among Sacramento's lesbian, gay, and bisexual community. This year's dinner and auction will feature newly elected California State Assemblymember Sheila James Kuehl as keynote speaker. Kuehl is the first openly lesbian member of the state legislature.

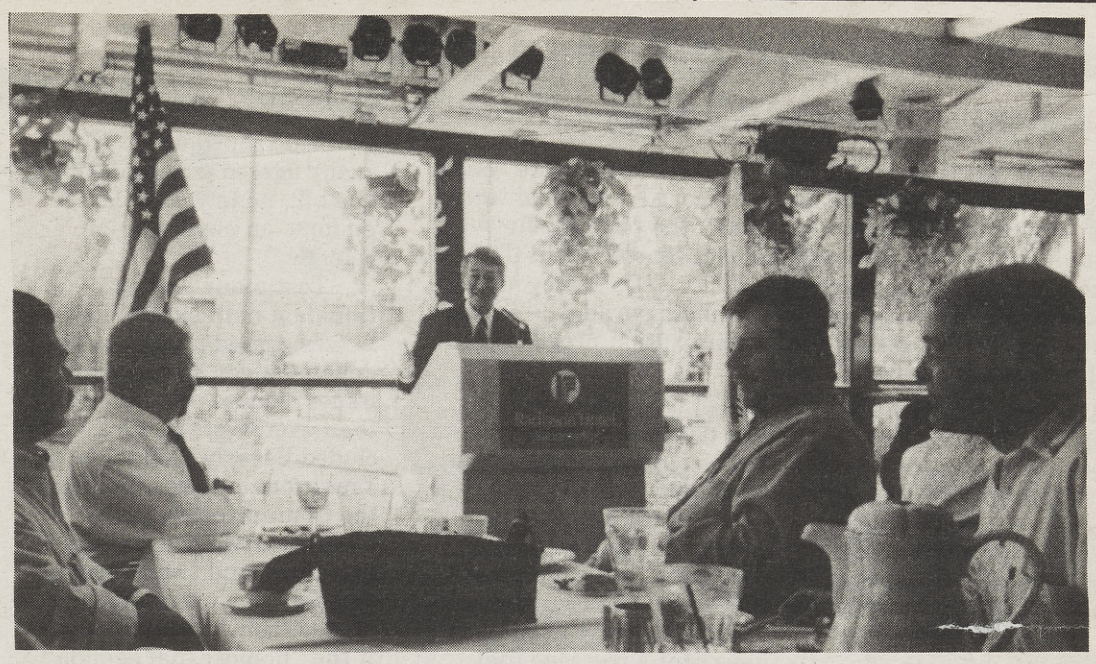
The California Capitol Political Action Committee (CAP/PAC) is a bipartisan and equal gender fund-raising coalition dedicated to forwarding the political, human, and civil rights issues of the lesbian, gay, and bisexual community. CAP/PAC has provided funds to many successful political victories throughout the city, county, and state. Its largest fund-raising effort is the annual dinner and auction that provides funds to openly gay candidates or those candidates who are supportive of gay rights issues.

Kuehl, a former actor and a practicing educator and attorney from Southern California, won a crucial Democratic victory in the district that includes Santa Monica when most victors in state and national elections were Republican or had direct ties to anti-gay organizations. Kuehl's victory is significant, not only because she is lesbian, a Democrat, and extremely well-qualified, but also because she brings a style, character, and balance to a political system that has suffered under years of status quo political domination. Kuehl is expected to bring pivotal and important changes to the "business-as-usual" network that many believe has hampered state government.

Also notable is the recent announcement that Carole Migden, one of several openly gay members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, has entered the 1996 race for Assembly Speaker Willie Brown's seat which will be open under term limits. Migden has courted support for her candidacy through CAP/PAC.

Former Acting Secretary of State Tony Miller has joined CAP/PAC's board of directors and is expected to bring a new perspective, stability, and experience to a strong and evolving community organization. Miller is now Chief Deputy to newly elected State Controller Kathleen Connell who replaced Gray Davis when Democrat Davis sought and won the Lieutenant Governorship.

CAP/PAC members hosted a small luncheon fund-raising event with Congressman Robert Matsui (D-Sacramento) at the Radisson Hotel on April 10. Matsui outlined the recent problems and successes confronted in the House of Representatives under the new Republican majority. He stressed that the Democrats, as a party, had for too many years, "worked diplomatically to finesse each issue" which never created any "concrete action toward concrete results." "We've been consensus-builders," Matsui said, "not the leaders Americans have expected in their elected officials."



CAP/PAC luncheon with Congressman Bob Matsui

CAP/PAC hosted Congressman Bob Matsui at a luncheon meeting with leaders in the gay and lesbian community. About 40 attendees listened to topics including the results of the Republican takeover of Congress, anger in the electorate, and important values and strategies for the future of the Democratic Party.

Matsui, who introduced openly gay Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.) at the first CAP/PAC dinner in 1988, has been an avid supporter of CAP/PAC's efforts and has annually addressed the gay community through CAP/PAC. A pivotal moment can in Matsui's discussion this year when he noted that he did not see any serious threat to gay civil rights issues, either. "Many of these problems are in the hands of the courts," Matsui said, referring to the so-called "don't ask, don't tell, don't pursue" compromise policy with respect to gays in the military. Litigation, thus far favorable to the status of serving lesbians and gay in

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Lesbian couple appointed by Feinstein and Pelosi to Conference on Aging

Del Martin, 74, and Phyllis Lyon, 70, were recently named by Senator Dianne Feinstein and Congressmember Nancy Pelosi respectively as delegates to the 1995 White House Conference on Aging (WHCoA) to be held in Washington, DC May 2-5.

The theme of the conference is "America Now and Into the 21st Century: Generations Aging Together with Independence, Opportunity, and Dignity." Martin believes the most important contribution her generation can make is to preserve Social Security and Medicare (now in jeopardy of drastic cuts by the Republican Contract on America as a means of balancing the federal budget).

The agenda focuses on four issues: Health Care, Economic Security, Housing, and Quality of Life. Lyon is alarmed by Congressional cuts eliminating vital housing programs which assist people with AIDS and construction for senior housing.

Two cross-cutting concerns pervade the agenda: interdependence among generations and among members of extended families, and the "unique contributions and needs of special populations, especially veterans, caregivers (including grandparents), rural elderly, women, minorities, and individuals with disabilities."

Martin and Lyon, a lesbian couple of 42 years, said, "We need a broader definition of family to include the caring, nurturing people in our lives who actually participate in our financial and health care decisions." They pointed out that domestic partners legislation is not just supported by lesbians and gays but is also strongly

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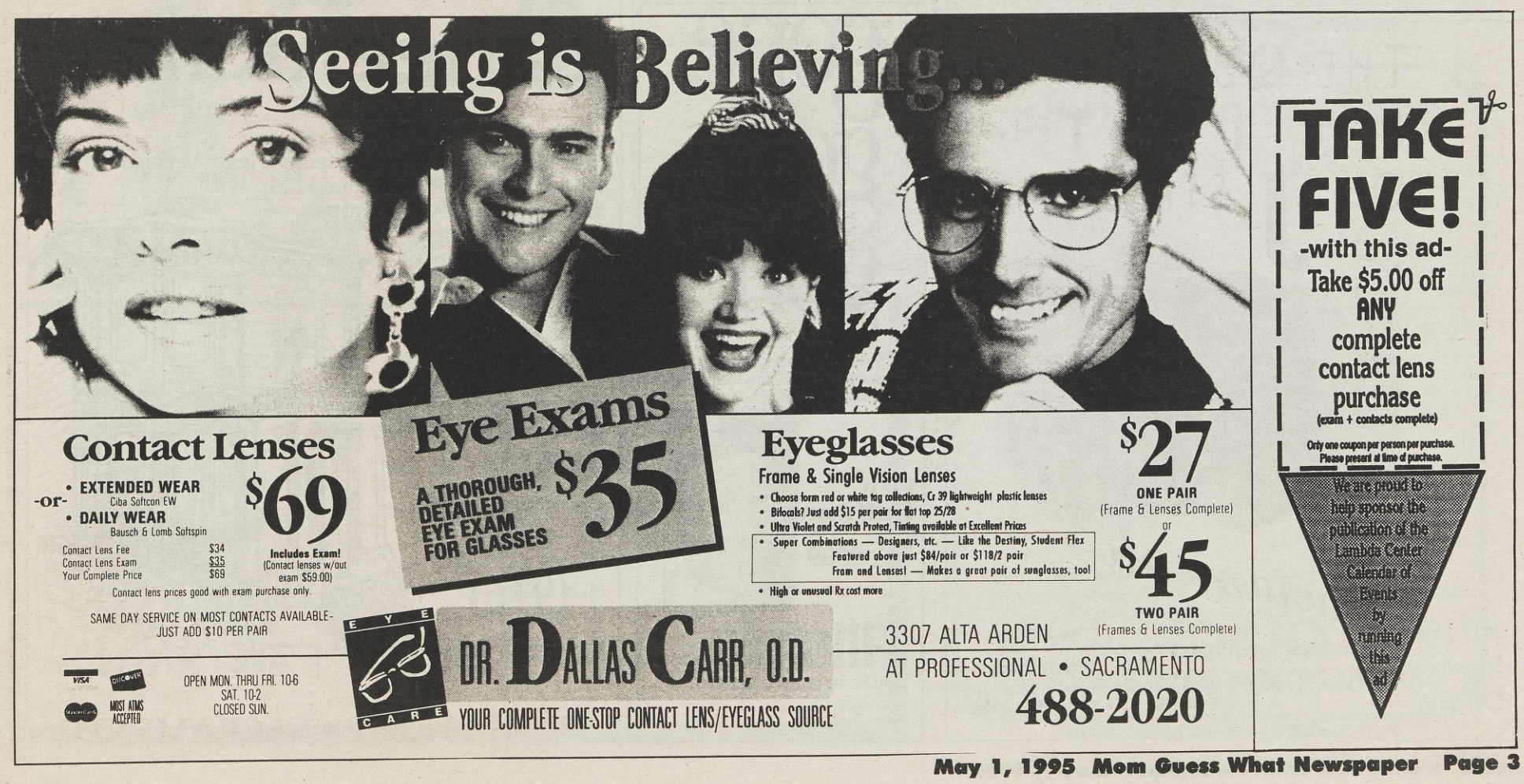
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No dignity for all students

Education committee fails gay/lesbian students

On Wednesday, April 19th, the California State Assembly Committee on Education heard emotional testimony for and against AB1001, the "Dignity for All Students" bill by Assemblymember Sheila Kuehl (D-Santa Monica). AB1001, cosponsored by LIFE AIDS Lobby and the California Teacher's Association, would have added "sexual orientation" to all existing nondiscrimination provisions of the state's education code.

After an hour of debate, the bill was defeated in committee on a party-line vote, 8-8. Students, parents, and teachers from across the state came to Sacramento to lobby and give testimony in support of AB1001.. Telling their own stories of harassment and the climate of prejudice that infects school campuses, students were eloquent in their statements that AB1001 would make a difference in their lives and the lives of future students. Testimony from a high-school principal stressed the need for this bill to stem the tide of hate-filled rhetoric and derision of gay and lesbian people so prevalent on campuses.

"Faggot, the slur of choice today on school campuses, will continue to be the slur of choice tomorrow. The passage of this bill would have sent a message that such prejudice is not tolerable. Instead, that message is lost," fumed Laurie McBride, Executive Director of the LIFE AIDS Lobby. "Despite the testimony, despite the sheer simplicity of the bill itself, despite their private admissions that name-calling and gay-bashing should not be tolerated, Republican legislators could not or would not vote for the bill." McBride continued, "While many agreed with the goal of the bill, none would dare endorse an obvious, simple remedy."

Testimony was emotional on both sides. Witnesses agreed that any debate on gay and lesbian issues is more controversial than ever. Opponents included Beverly Sheldon of the Traditional Values Coalition, the Committee on Moral Concerns, two conservative ministers, and two private citizens. Their testimony ranged from condemnations of the "homosexual agenda" to protestations that adding sexual orientation to existing education codes would be equivalent to "giving gays special rights." One minister testified that gays and lesbians are "ungodly" and live a "dirty" lifestyle; another testified that the state has no business protecting the rights of sinners; that with the sin go the wages of sin — and if that includes discrimination, then so be it.

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Assemblymember Sheila Kuehl, and the California State Assembly Committee on Education introduced AB1001, earlier this month. It was later defeated on a party-line vote of 8-8.

Assemblymember Sheila Kuehl responded to these arguments by declaring, "The witnesses for the opposition make our argument for us. Listen to what they said here. This is exactly the hatred we face everyday. This is the reason we need this bill. This is the moral decay at the heart of our society, that breeds hate and division."

The students who testified were shaken by the intensity and personalized nature of the opposition. For that matter, so were veteran observers. Kuehl vowed to bring the bill back "every session until every California student, gay or lesbian or not, is protected." McBride reiterated this pledge on behalf of LIFE AIDS Lobby, California's only statewide lobby for gay and lesbian Californians. ▼

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the military. Litigation, thus far favorable to the status of serving lesbians and gays, is pending in several federal courts and is moving toward final resolution in the U.S. Supreme Court. "We'll have to wait until then. I just can't predict what will happen then." Matsui said.

The CAP/PAC Dinner and Auction will be held in the new portion of the Sacramento Convention Center on June 3. The event will begin at 6pm and will include a complete dinner, the now-famous silent and live auction with celebrity auctioneers, the comedy of special emcee Danny Williams, keynote speaker Assemblymember Sheila James Kuehl, a dessert reception and dancing. Information: Cathi Meyers 631-7171 or John Daniels 489-8903. Dinner Program advertising or auction donations contact Erich Mathias 739-8020.

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supported by seniors who can lose Social Security and/or pensions if they marry.

The two women, pioneers in the gay movement and founders in 1955 of the Daughters of Bilitis, the first national lesbian organization, also coauthored the ground-breaking book *Lesbian/Woman,* published in 1972 and updated for its 20th anniversary. They currently serve on the advisory board of Gay and Lesbian Outreach to Elders in San Francisco, and have been active members of Old Lesbians Organizing for Change and other senior organizations. Martin also served on San Francisco's Senior Services Plan Task Force.

"We hope our presence at the White House Conference will raise consciousness about the unique contributions and needs of lesbian and gay seniors as well as others who fall under the rubric of a different sexual orientation." they said. Policy recommendations have already been submitted by The Lesbian and Gay Aging Issues Network of the American Society on Aging.▼

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by Christopher Solis
MGW/Staff

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Driving by, in downtown Davis, it seemed like a good idea. "*the crepe Bistro*", yum, crepes. I'm not a big fan of French cooking, but crepes are definitely the exception. They're so versatile. An item for breakfast or dessert.

Upon walking in, I was immediately struck by the decor. How does one convey, charitably, what looks to be the result of a crash between a fish and chips place, Holly Hobby house, and a Bicentennial nightmare? To describe it is not possible in the allotted space here so, suffice to say, if you can get beyond the "Spirit of 76" blue and white striped ceiling, the flowered wall-paper and the Pub-like Tudor wood trim, you may actually appreciate the food.

Speaking of food, it was above par despite what the surroundings suggest. There were a number of crepe choices. I settled upon the *Beouf Bourguigon*, full of a burgandy herb sauce, with tender chunks of beef , mushroom, and onion. It was hearty if not exciting. My companion enjoyed *Ratatouille*, a very well put-together vegetarian selection containing zuchinni, eggplant, and peppers, among other things. The price for all this Parisian fare? Well, fair. If, one is waited on. The counter service, which brings you face to face with a cooking area that affirms your suspicion that there was in fact a fish and chips placed involved in the accident, does little to assert that this was a good choice.

So The bottom line? There just aren't a whole lot of options when you're in the mood for crepes. Although, don't be so willing to condemn this choice by my colorful description of the atmosphere. The prices are not ourtageous ($4-6 for a crepe) and if you close your eyes and dream of a distant Eiffel Tower, you may just convince yourself that you're somewhere in Europe. Just, whatever you do, DON"T OPEN your eyes until you're back OUTSIDE!▼

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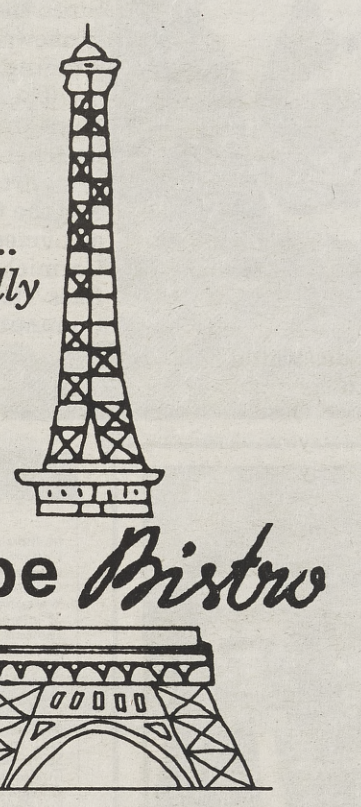

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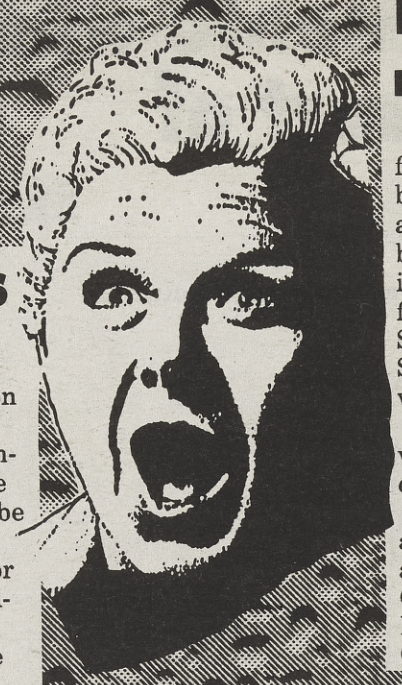

Finger food with the Flirts

How'd ya like to get up close and personal with the Flirtations and their newest member, Suede? Ya Can! On Sunday, May 14, 1995 from 2pm - 4pm, a reception for the Flirts and Suede will be held at the home of Russ Marsh and James Ozanich — located in the beautiful "Fuchsia Flats." Fabulous finger food and "trendy waters" will be provided by caterers "Salt and Pepper." A no host bar will be "manned" by pledges from Delta Lambda Phi.

Tickets for the reception are $50 and include a ticket for the concert at 8pm that evening. Only fifty tickets are available and may be purchased at the Gifted Gardener or the Lambda Community center. For more information, call the Lambda Center at 442-0185 or Larry Hoover at 753-0424 (Davis).

Flirtations plus ...

The Fabulous Flirtations will return for their second concert in Sacramento. Added to their quality camp act is a very mellow womyn, Suede! The Flirts are just plain fun. Traditional doo-wap classics have been reworked to become gay sensitive lyrics that will leave you laughing. In addition to doo-wap, the group's versatility is demonstrated by everything from sals to socially responsible ballads. Singing *a capella* ain't easy...yet these guys pull it off with class. A few years ago they made their debut at the Palms in Davis. Since then they have come a very long way, performing at Stonewall and recently appearing in the Academy Award winning film, "Philadelphia."

Their newest member, Suede, brings a "Billy Holiday" voice and style to the group. She performs with the guys and does her own solo numbers.

Flirts and Suede will be performing Sunday, May 14, 8pm, and the Crest Theater. Tickets are $18 and may be purchased at Lioness Books (442-4657), the Groove Records in Carmichael (485-2477), the Gifted Gardener (447-5956), and Bass Ticket Outlets. For further information, call the Lambda Community Center at 442-0185.

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International AIDS Candlelight Memorial	May 21
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Wellspring Swing '95	June 3
SF International G&L Film Festival, 415-703-8658	Jun 9-18
Lambda Freedom Fair, 442-0185	Jun 10
S.F. Gay Pride Festival, 415-864-3733	Jun 18
CSW 1995 Gay/Lesbian Pride Parade, West Hollywood, 213-656-6553	June 25
L.A. Gay Pride Weekend, 213-656-6553	Jun 24-25
Gay & Lesbian Parents Conference, LA, 213-654-0307	Jun 30 - Jul 3
California AIDS Walk, 535-5067	June 1-Aug 31
Out & Free in San Diego, 29-PROUD,	Jul 14-15
G&L Jews Conference, NYC, 212-929-9498	Jul 27-30
Sacramento Summer Ball	Aug 15
California State Fair, 263-3000	Aug 18 - Sep 4
Chalk It Up Sacramento, 484-5710	Sep 2-4
Rainbow Festival Street Fair, 448-7798	Sep 3
Women's Weekend II, Russian /River	Sep 29 - Oct 1
National Coming Out Day, 800-866-6263	Oct 11
4th Annual Sacramento International G&L Film Festival, 443-7724	Oct 19-21
MGW Newspaper's 19th Anniversary, 441-6397	November
World AIDS Awareness Day/A Day Without Art	December 1
Hand-to-Hand Christmas Gala,	December 3
Snow White Champagne Ball for Women, 441-6397	December 9

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Tuesdays
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Wednesdays
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Eagles (for seniors) 2nd & 4th Wed. 6:30
Men of Color Support Group 2nd & 4th Wed. 6:30pm
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Being Alive Living Room for PWA's & HIV+ 2-5pm
Women's Coming Out Group 6pm
CODA (co-dependents anonymous) 7:30pm

Fridays
Youth Rap Group (24 & under) 5:45pm
Cafe Lambda 8pm
Transgender Group (3rd) Fri. 7-8pm

Saturdays
Youth Social (24 & under) 8pm
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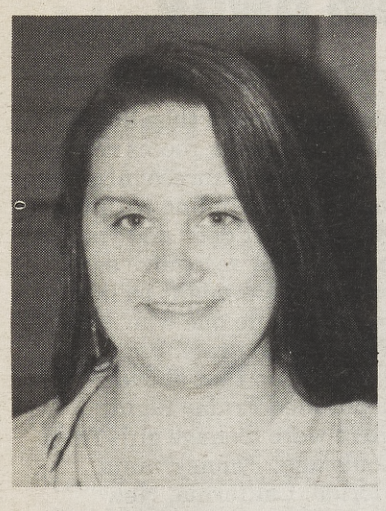
Homebuyer's Seminar; call Cynthia 334-4834

Sundays
Eagles Bike Club, call Roy 442-0185
Gay Fathers 2nd Sun. 6:30
Alcoholics Anonymous 11am

STREET TALK

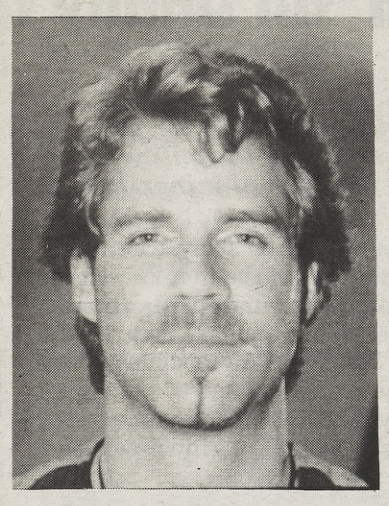
Question and Photos by Katharine Davis

"How are you celebrating Mother's Day this year?"



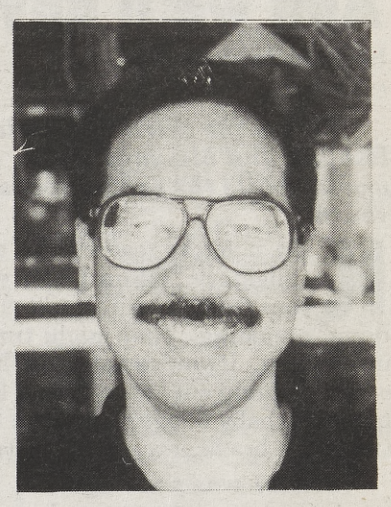
Kelly Bootes:
"I'll probably go and visit her and bring her some flowers for toys 'cause that's what she likes."

Renee Murray:
"This Mother's Day I want to have a nice morning ritual for my Mom because she lives in Phoenix and I'm here and I won't get there this year and then I'll probably talk to her for at least an hour on the telephone."



Michael Jones:
"I plan to celebrate Mother's Day with my new boyfriend, actually. I will call Mom into the shop and she'll get her hair done free; she'll get whatever she wants done free. I do that for her every year."

Cindy Nelson:
"Oh God! I didn't even know it was Mother's Day. Probably just go to her house and take her out to dinner, that sort of thing."



David Kwong:
"My brother is one of the judges of the Miss Universe Contest in Africa this year and he is taking our Mother as his guest. This weekend I'm going to take her to San Francisco and buy her a complete new outfit for the occassion. When she gets back, I'll also take her out to dinner."

MEDIA WATCH

by Al Kielwasser
GLAAD, SFBA

Magazine mainstream

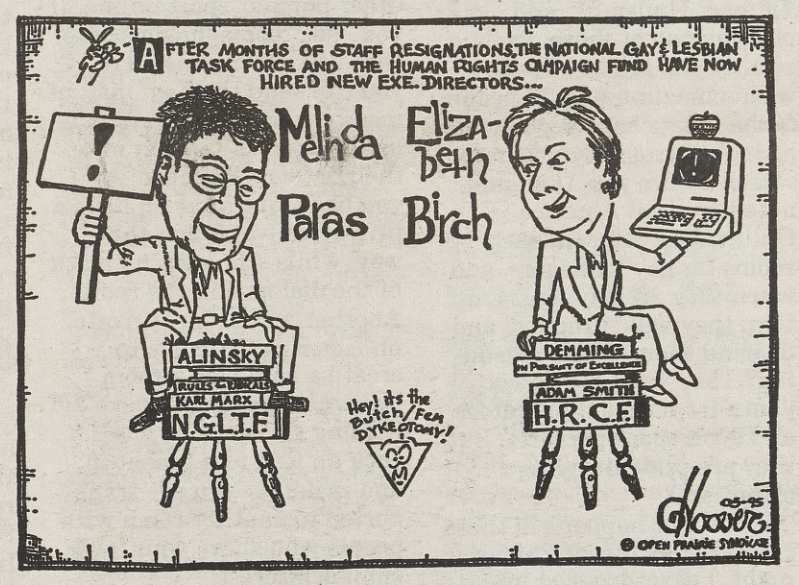
The Feb. '95 issue of *Vanity Fair* includes an exceptional 14-page article, "The Killing Trail;" Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist H.G. Bissinger details the horrors of homophobia in Texas (*Vanity Fair,* Conde Nast Publications, Inc., 350 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10017, e-mail vfair@aol.com). The Feb. '95 issue of *Good Housekeeping* offers up some good advice in a "My Problem" feature; a woman whose son is gay - and afraid to come out to his father - is directed to PFLAG (*Good Housekeeping,* 959 8th Ave., New York, NY 10019; 212-649-2000).▼

Recently published

The First issue of *CTN,* a new magazine for deaf, hard-of-hearing and hearing-signing lesbians, gays, and bisexuals. *CTN* is published quarterly by an all-volunteer staff. Contact *CTN Magazine,* Box 14431, San Francisco, CA 94114; fax 415-626-9033, e-mail ctn mag@aol.com.▼

Finally, a lesbian super hero!

Captain Maggie Sawyer, star of DC Comics' new four-book mini-series entitled "Metropolis S.C.U." is a lesbian mother who protects the planet while fighting off a variety of super-villains. Captain Sawyer's valiant efforts to juggle the difficulties of career, relationship, and motherhood helped "Metropolis S.C.U." earn the Comic Code Authority's Seal of Approval which certifies the comic book as appropriate reading for all age groups. In combating homophobia, this fictional series, which offers a fair and honest image of lesbianism, has struck an admirable blow against one of reality's deadlier super-villains. Letters of support should be sent to Jenette Kahn, President and Editor-In-Chief, DC Comics, 1325 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019.▼



Don't call us, we'll call you

One of the nation's wealthier homophobic cults, Concerned Women for America (CWA), recently published the postal and e-mail addresses of The Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund in the CWA newsletter. As a result, The Fund was deluged with hate mail. Anyone wishing to respond in kind may do so at CWA's expense. Call 800-323-2200 to request a free subscription to "Family Voice," the CWA "news" digest.▼

Newsletter news

"Just For Us" is the newsletter of COLAGE — Children of Lesbians and Gays Everywhere — and the editor is actively seeking submission (Tara Ludmer 6214 Waterway Dr., Falls Church VA 22044); The organization is also "putting together an anthology of our stories about having gay parent." For more details contact COLAGE (2300 Market ST., #165, San Francisco, CA 94114, USA or BOX 187, Station F, Toronto, ONM4Y 2L5, Canada; tel. 202-583-8029, e-mail KIDSOFGAYS@AOL.COM.▼

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Cruising the information superhighway

And we'll have fun, fun, fun 'till Daddy takes the modem away

by Jennifer L. Selig
MGW/Staff

This is the third in a series of stories about online services especially for gay, lesbian, and bisexual youth. The first offered a general overview of the online world, while the second focused on an Internet newsgroup for "sexual minority" youth.

Kids, if you're reading this article, please skip the next two paragraphs. They are the obligatory "**When I was your age I had to. . .** " paragraphs (fill in the blanks with your least favorite adult cliche), placed here simply as a contrast to what "**Kids these days**" are doing. They might turn you off to the rest of the article, which I believe is quite interesting. If you're not a kid, keep reading. You'll probably be able to relate to some aspect of my "coming out" story, and I know you'll be fascinated with the rest. Anyone who hasn't had their baby buggy pushed on the Information Superhighway will be amazed at the potential of the brave new world our young gay and lesbian brothers and sisters are growing up in.

When I was your age, late teens to early twenties, I knew I was a lesbian, and that my girlfriend was one too, but beyond that, I had no proof positive that there was another single soul like us out there. When we broke up, I was devastated, and knew that I needed support. Like so many of us, I turned to my ex-lover for that support (well, who else was there?), but when she was not able to provide that for me, I knew I needed more, a friend or two or maybe a group whom I could talk to, tell my fears and my joys to, get advice from, ask questions of, and just in general share what it means to be a lesbian in a straight world. I was a student at UCD at the time, and after months of traumatic indecision, I finally went to the Women's Center and found a flyer advertising a lesbian support group.

Well, to make a long — and way too dramatic at the time — story short, it took me several more months to get up the courage to go to the room where the group was meeting. I was nervous as hell, with those terrible sweaty palms and racing heart, and all I was able to do was walk by the closed door a few times, trying to peer into the window and see who was there (see, I still thought I might be the only one!). I left, and it wasn't until weeks later that I made the most important turn of my life — the door handle. The rest, as they say, is history. I found a group of supportive friends, learned a lot and laughed even more, and was able to open up the heart which had locked out love after its first major break.

Now, not much more than a decade later, the scenario has radically changed. **Kids these days** don't have to drive to a support group; all they need is a modem to connect them to gays and lesbians on the Information Superhighway. They don't have to open the door to a room full of people face to face, they simply have to click on a few icons with their computer mouse, and there they are. They don't have to worry about being accepted or liked or looking the wrong way, because the computer screen asks nothing of them and reflects back only words.

Although there are many computer services available where gay and lesbian teens can meet, America Online is one of the most popular. Finding a group of gay teens

is as easy as three clicks of the mouse: first, onto "People Connection", then onto "Member Rooms", then a scroll down the long list to find rooms with titles like "YongMen4YongMen" and "F for F Under 17" and clicking one of those. Instantly you are in a room with a maximum of 23 people exchanging chat which scrolls by instantaneously on the screen before you. (I should note here that America Online does not condone rooms for gay teenagers, and when they are paying attention, they will "drop by" and disband them. Their reasoning? They want to protect youth from sexual predators and cyberspace perverts. But they are seldom paying attention.)

So what happens in these rooms? On a recent Friday night, I eavesdropped into a room of young men, and downloaded a fairly typical portion of the conversation (names have been changed).

JohnnyCA: gifs anyone?
STUD: send me a couple
Alex678: HOT
Alex678: HOT
Alex678: Show me the way
Alex678: to the paradise of eden. IM me.
JWN99: Hey guys, what's up?
Rippon5: age, location check
TinyTony: 16/nj
JeffR9832: 16/MA. Send gifs.
JWN99: Hello guys. . .18 from TN. . . .HORNY as hell. . . .muscular and built for endurance. . . anyone interested, IM me?
Rippon5: sounds nice to me. . .
JohnnyCA: anyone here from CALIFORNIA?
Eosit: Anyone from Minnesota
Warren: WA
TLM14: Hey dudes
LetherBoy: Anyone want to go private for a circle jerk?

Though the room of young women contained less frank sexual discussion, the dialogue was very similar: lots of greetings as people enter the room, age and location checks, and calls for gifs and IM's. Gifs, for those of you not acquainted with America Online terminology, are photos of yourself that you have scanned into your computer, and can send to another person's computer (people "trade" them like baseball cards). IM's, or Instant Messages, are another popular sport online. If you "see" someone on screen that you are interested in, you can send them an instant message, which appears in a little box in the corner of their screen. They can IM you back, and you can have a private conversation that way, while still keeping track of the dialogue in the room. Another way to go "private" on America Online is to create a name for a room (several of the guys above did it using the word "circle"), click an icon and type it in, and instantly you are transported to another room with people who share your similar interest.

For those of us who remember having surreptitious conversations on CB radios outside of our parents' hearing, these cyber conversations are variations on a theme. But we have obviously traveled far so far off the recognizable road in the last few years in our space age vehicles, and the implications are astounding. At first glance, these computer online rooms may seem to have many advantages over rooms like the one I trembled to walk into years ago, but for every advantage there is an equal and opposite disadvantage, based upon personal opinions and value judgments. Here are just a few:

On-screen versus in person

This is obviously an advantage for those youth who are shy and unsure of themselves, like most of us were at some point in our lives. It is possible to enter a room full of gay youth and never say a word: your presence is only known through the appearance of your "name" on the screen. You can "listen" in on the conversation or join in, and you can talk to people in a group or individually.

The disadvantages of this easy anonymity are equally obvious. People can lie about their age and sexual status. For example, a teenager may talk for hours with whom she believes is another teenage girl, who might in actuality be a dirty old man posing as a lesbian teen (not even the very cleverly costumed could pull this off face to face!). What might happen if she agrees to meet "her" somewhere? Interestingly enough, many older people make no attempt to hide or lie about their age. In the room for young men on that Friday night, there were at least two men who said they were in their 40's asking the boys for pictures and for IM's.

A second advantage to meeting others on-screen is that you don't need to worry about your outward appearance (no one will know if you're having a bad skin day, or year!), an obvious concern for many youth. However, a common question is "What do you look like?" and with the ease in which one can trade "gifs", more and more people are judging others by their looks. Not only that, but many of the gifs people are trading contain nudity: teens too are scanning, sending and receiving pictures that range from fully clothed to fully nude, and they are exchanging these photos with older people, raising some interesting implications surrounding child pornography.

Also interesting to note about on-screen groups like this are their relative lack of restraint and social etiquette. For example, I received an Instant Message while researching this story in the young men's room from someone who asked me, "Are you hung?" I don't believe this same person would have asked the same question of me at a Lambda Center social! Nor would I have been able to ask back what a gay man's definition of hung is. This lack of restraint can often lead to true learning experiences!

Global versus local

While a teenager might be afraid to go to a support group at the Lambda Center for fear of being seen by or seeing someone they know, these computer rooms render one virtually unrecognizable: you could be online with the gay boy next door and you might never recognize each other, or you might be in a room with no one who even lives in your state. For example, on that above mentioned Friday night, there were teenage girls from Louisiana, Pennsylvania, Florida, California, New York, Wisconsin, and Texas all talking at one time. With safety as the advantage of this anonymity, the disadvantage is missing out on some local friendships and/or relationships.

Sex versus support

As I mentioned in my last article, sex doesn't get much safer than on-screen, and plenty of sexual experimentation is occurring in these rooms and through IM's. I'll leave it to you to decide if this is an advantage or a disadvantage; what is clearly disadvantageous to me is that there is so much focus on sex in these meeting rooms, particularly in the rooms for young men. Those simply seeking friendship or support have to work hard to find it there, and will have to muddle through multiple sexual declarations and solicitations.

Time is money

Though some online services are free, most of them charge by the hour or by the month. America Online, for example, charges $9.95 for the first five hours of the month, and $2.95 for each additional hour. Some of the teens I talked with pay for their own online hours, and some have parents who pay for them, but unless they have access to their own credit card, Mom and Dad receive the bill. For most of them, their parents have no idea what they do with their online hours. One 17 year old boy I interviewed had to keep "leaving the room" every time his sister walked down the stairs; one 16 year old girl arranged to meet me at a certain time to talk and never showed up. When I checked the status of her screen name, it had been destroyed. She had told me that her father was getting suspicious about all the time she spent online, and she was getting scared. .

I suspect that Daddy took her modem away.▼

Women's Youth Group

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NEWS CLIPS

by Anne Chambers
MGW/Staff

Adoptions denied for two Illinois women

A Cook County judge ruled that two women who wanted to adopt the biological children of their lesbian partners may not do so because Illinois law states that only married couples or single people may adopt. In a similar case earlier this year a Cook County judge granted an adoption. According to a report in Deneuve, the case will probably be appealed to the Illinois Supreme Court.▼

Amedure's family files wrongful-death suit

The family of Scott Amedure has filed a wrongful-death lawsuit against Jonathan Schmitz, the man accused of killing Amedure last month. Amedure was shot to death just three days after appearing on the Jenny Jones Show and revealing his crush on Schmitz, who has since been charged with first-degree murder in the slaying. Amedure's family is also trying to prevent Schmitz from selling his story, according to an article in the *Sacramento Bee.*▼

Montana repeals law

A bill that would have required offenders of Montana's "deviate sexual conduct" law to register for life with local law enforcement officials was repealed just one day after being passed by the Senate in a 41 to 8 vote. NGLTF's executive director, Melinda Paras said the now-deleted provision in House Bill 214 was "...unprecedented in its extreme persecution of gay men and lesbians and rightly caused a national outcry."▼

Buchanan to run again

Patrick J. Buchanan recently announced he will try for the Republican presidential nomination. Buchanan's speech three years ago when he campaigned for the GOP nomination against George Bush was denounced for inciting hatred against many groups, including gays.▼

Ruling on gays in the military to be appealed

Judge Eugene Nickerson's recent ruling that the "don't ask, don't tell" policy on gays in the military is unconstitutional will be taken to the U.S. 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals in New York. The Clinton administration decided to appeal the ruling despite Judge Nickerson's decision that the policy violated the right to free speech.▼

Tune in to radio activism May 7th

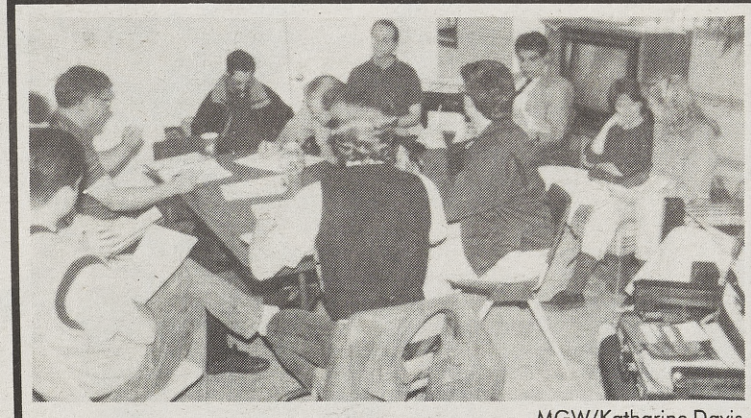
The National Lesbian & Gay Radio Town Meeting will be broadcast live via satellite across the country on Sunday, May 7, from 8PM to 10PM EST. National leaders and grassroots activists will be featured. The discussion will focus on successful means of countering radical right initiatives on a local basis. NGLTF is urging those interested to contact local public radio stations and urge them to broadcast the two hour show. Broadcast info: (215) 772-9010.▼

Hate crimes on the rise

The Southern Poverty Law Center's Klanwatch Project reported recently that hate crimes have increased 25 percent across the country in the last year, with the greatest number of assaults and murders triggered by anti-gay bias. According to a report in the *Philadelphia Gay News,* a white supremacist group, Aryan Nations, has also grown over the last year. Project director Danny Welch has expressed concern over the Aryan Nations potential ability to unify a number of similar groups.▼

Achtenberg for Mayor

Former San Francisco Supervisor and Assistant Undersecretary For Fair Housing at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Roberta Achtenberg has announced that she will enter the election for mayor of San Francisco. Achtenberg has also announced that she is leaving her post at HUD.▼



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Good things to come

The Gay and Lesbian Film Festival planning committee hard at work. The festival will be held later this year. Info: 442-0185.

Lesbian Avengers deliver blank check

While attending a recent press conference about a planned fund-raising campaign to buy $1.3 million dollars worth of semi-automatic weapons for SF police officers, SF Mayor Jordan was presented with a four-foot-long "blank check" from the SF Lesbian Avengers. The check was made out to the SFPD and signed by "Frank Jordan" and "His Downtown Cronies." The memo section of the check contained the note: "Kill as many people as you want," according to a report in the *San Francisco Bay Times.*▼

"Homosexual Panic" murder defense?

Jonathan Schmitz, the man who killed Scott Amedure after he revealed his crush on Schmitz on *The Jenny Jones Show,* may claim that he murdered Amedure while in a "homosexual panic."

The Philadelphia Gay News quoted the executive director of SF's Community United Against Violence as saying, "There's such a willingness to buy into the fact that same-sex attraction is so repulsive that people now consider it a defense for murder."▼

Chastity is Out

Chastity Bono, daughter of Cher and CA representative Sonny Bono, came out as a lesbian in a recent interview with *The Advocate.* Chastity, 25, says her parents have been supportive but fear of damaging her fledgling career as a singer and songwriter prompted her to lie about her lifestyle, according to the *Philadelphia Gay News.*▼

New national magazine for gay men to be launched

Wilde, a new national lifestyle magazine that celebrates the whole gay male experience, will be introduced nationwide. Wilde integrates two aspects of gay men's lives, culture and sexuality, that have been increasingly separated in recent years. Wilde welcomes the importance of sexual desire for gay men in the context of over 90 colorful pages of intelligent, challenging journalism and vivid design.

In the premier issue, actor Craig Chester and actress Parker Posey in a down-home chat about their craft, Hollywood, and gay lives on film, and Torie Osborn in a candid conversation about her time as the head of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force.

Columnists include Daniel Mangin, providing the latest information on gay and lesbian film and TV projects. Reggie Williams will do a column, "Letter From Amsterdam," and author Pat Califia will be discussing sexual politics. Info: 415-243-3228.▼

"Olympics Out of Utah" campaign begins

Utah legislators' recent vote to ban recognition of same-sex marriages has prompted Utah activists to start a campaign to prevent Utah from hosting the 2002 Winter Olympics. A similar campaign that targeted Cobb County, GA for its anti-gay legislation led to the moving of 1996 Olympic events from Cobb County. Info: NGLTF Robin Kane (202) 332-6483.▼

Legislation pending on Alaska ban

Two bills have been filed in the Alaska state legislature which would ban same-sex unions and domestic partner benefits. Alaska is the third state this year to become involved in the fight over same-sex marriages. Info: NGLTF organizer, (503) 283-1811 or Equal (907) 279-3982.▼

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1 MONDAY

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MEN'S COMING OUT GROUP 5:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

2 TUESDAY

CAPITOL CITY SQUARES. Basic Square Dance Class with mainstream and plus tips. 6:30pm, Jefferson School, 2001 Pebblewood Dr., South Natomas. George, 929-8697.

PERCUSSION CONCERT Ron George, percussionist, 8pm, Music Recital Hall, CSUS, 6000 J St., 278-7988.

WOMEN'S YOUTH 6:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

HIV+ WOMEN Support Group. Noon - 2pm. Social Hall, St. Francis Church, 26th & K Sts. Mireya, 363-5924.

AA MEETING 7:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

3 WEDNESDAY

MOM'S BABY SHOWER TO CELEBRATE THE "BIRTH" OF DGW, 6-9PM, FACES 20 & K STS., FREE DRINKS, FREE HORS D'OEUVRES, FREE VOICE PERSONALS, FREE ENTERTAINMENT.

MEN OF COLOR DISCUSSION GROUP 7pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

UNDERSTANDING HIV Treatment and Lab Test results, presented by Tracy Thompson, P.A. -C. 7-9pm, CARES, 2710 Capitol Ave. 443-3299.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURES Potluck meeting, everyone welcome, 7pm, 421-6209.

PERCUSSION CONCERT Kenneth Piascik, percussionist, 8pm, Music Recital Hall, CSUS, 6000 J St., 278-7988.

HIV+ SUPPORT GROUP 7:30pm, 446-3734.

VALLEY BEARS Club meeting. 7pm, The Wreck Room

4 THURSDAY

WEAVE AUCTION Reception and silent auction. 5:30-8:30pm, 448-2321 ext. 109.

BEING ALIVE LIVING ROOM 2-5pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

POSITIVE ACTS *Fastforward* Personal stories of AIDS by HIV young people. Free. 12:30pm, Calif. Ins. of Integral Studies, 765 Ashbury St., SF, 415-753-6100.

WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP, 6pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

CODA 7:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

DIXON MAY FAIR, Dixon Fairgrounds.

COMMON SENSE DOG TRAINING Six week class led by Joan Guertin. 6:30pm, Puppy Kindergarten, 6:30pm, Intermediate, 7:40pm, Beginning Obedience, SPCA, 6201 Florin Perkins Rd. 485-2201.

BIKE SACRAMENTO '95 Bicyce Parade, 11:30am, Capitol Mall, 444-5864.

BEING GAY TODAY Linda Birner and Tom Marks unveil *Dad Guess What* plus the Lavendar Underground perform "Circle." 10pm, cable Channel 17.

5 FRIDAY

YOUTH GROUP 5:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

AIDS WALK PLEDGE PARTY Butte County, call the HIV/AIDS Foundation.

CAFE LAMBDA Come and visit with old friends and make new ones. 8pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

DYKES OUT TOGETHER Reading Group, 7pm, Shirley, 722-9838.

COUNTRY WESTERN DANCING, Lessons 7:30; dancing until 10pm, $2 donation, Central United Methodist Church, 53rd & H St. Info: 452-5016.

CAMPING WOMEN ANNUAL SPRING CLEANUP, Calaveras Big Trees.

SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY, Verdi's Requiem. Geofrey Simon, conductor; Sacramento Symphony Chorus. 8pm, Community Center. 449-6940.

LYNDON JOHNSON One man show with Laurence Luckinbill. 8pm, Freeborn Hall, UCD. 757-3481.

DIXON MAY FAIR, Dixon Fairgrounds.

CINCO DE MAYO PARTY, Old School, no cover, The Mirage (15th & F Sts).

REST & MOTION Ruth Rosenberg Dance Concert, 8pm, 24th St Theatre, 2791 24th St. 457-RRDE.

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6 SATURDAY

OUTDOOR ADVENTURES Overnight backpacking trip at Pt. Reyes seashore. Fairly easy 14 miles total, 421-6209.

YOUTH SOCIAL 8pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

CHICO AIDS WALK 9AM-NOON, BIDWELL PARK.

SACRAMENTO SYMPHONY, Verdi's Requiem.

Geofrey Simon, conductor; Sacramento Symphony Chorus. 8pm, Community Center. 449-6940.

ART EVALUATION AND APPRAISAL DAY, Butterfield & Butterfield provide fair market evaluations. Benefit for Crocker Art Museum, 10:30 - 3pm, Forum, Crocker Art Museum, 216 O St, 264-5423.

EAGLES WALKING GROUP Join Sacramento's Gay & Lesbian Seniors in a walk from Discovery Park to Old Sacramento and the Downtown Mall. 10am, 991-2420.

DIXON MAY FAIR, Dixon Fairgrounds.

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7 SUNDAY

CHILI COOK-OFF And Beer Bust benefit for the Lambda Freedom Fair. Noon - 5pm, Faces, Doug, 442-7960.

AIDS WALK KICK-OFF PARTY Hosted by America Live, complimentary Hors d'oeuvres, 6-8pm, Ltl Ditty's, 645 Downtown Plaza, 2nd Floor. RSVP 800-448-WALK.

SACRAMENTO YOUTH SYMPHONY, Spring Gala Concert featuring The Romeros, 3pm, Community Center Theatre, 388-5777.

AA MEETING 11am, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

DYKES OUT TOGETHER Brunch and croquet. 10am, Ann, 927-6038.

Canine Carnival Games, demonstration, special guest, Lassie's Jon Provost. 10am-4pm, Howe Park, 485-2201.

EAGLES BICYCLING GROUP Join Sacramento's Gay & Lesbian Seniors in a leisurely bicycle ride, stopping for pastries and coffee when the mood hits. 10am, Roy, 641-8460.

WORLD VIEW MUSIC FESTIVAL The Sacramento Symphony PERFORMS "EAST MEETS WEST: ASIAN-AMERICAN HARMONIES." 7:30PM, CITY COLLEGE AUDITORIUM, 3835 FREEPORT BLVD.., 449-6950.

MOTHERS MARCH AGAINST AIDS Noon, Washington DC, 212-953-5621.

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WATERFRONT ARTFEST Over 50 artists display their works with food wine and live entertainment. Free. 10am-6pm, Old Sacramento. Sponsored by The Point, 100.5FM, 443-6223.

8 MONDAY

LIFE AIDS LOBBY DAY Reception with Senator Bill Lockyer and Assemblymembr Shiela Kuehil, 5:30-7:30pm, Senator Hotel, 441-3973

MEN'S COMING OUT GROUP 5:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

PERCUSSION CONCERT CSUS Percussion Group, 8pm, Music Recital Hall, CSUS, 6000 J St., 278-7988.

WOMEN'S CHORUS Rehearsal, new members welcome! 6:30-8:30pm, 424-4411.

9 TUESDAY

CAPITOL CITY SQUARES. Basic Square Dance Class with mainstream and plus tips. 6:30pm, Jefferson School, 2001 Pebblewood Dr., South Natomas. George, 929-8697.

WOMEN'S YOUTH 6:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

POSITIVE ACTS *H.I. Vato* with Antonio Araizo (aka Beto) 6:30pm, Calif. Ins. of Integral Studies, 765 Ashbury St., SF, 415-753-6100.

AA MEETING 7:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

HIV+ WOMEN Support Group. Noon - 2pm. Social Hall, St. Francis Church, 26th & K Sts. Mireya, 363-5924.

10 WEDNESDAY

FREEDOM FAIR COMMITTEE Meeting, 6:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

EAGLES POTLUCK Join Sacramento's Gay & Lesbian Seniors for a potluck. 6:30pm, The Lambda Center, 19th & L Sts. Larry, 991-2420.

MEN OF COLOR DISCUSSION GROUP 7pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

BOSTON SYMPHONY CHAMBER PLAYERS 8pm, Freeborn Hall, UC Davis, 757-3199.

COMMON SENSE DOG TRAINING Six week class led by Joan Guertin. 6:30am, Puppy Kindergarten, 7:40, Beginning Obedience, Bohemian Park, Yellowstone and Wright Sts. 485-2201.

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SACRAMENTO COUNTY FAIR, Cal Expo, 263-3000.

GYUTO TANTRIC CHOIR Musical chants that defy description. 7pm, Freeborn Hall, UC Davis, 757-3199.

BEING GAY TODAY Rep. Steve Gunderson is featured on Momentum TV. 10pm, cable Channel 17.

12 FRIDAY

YOUTH GROUP 5:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

DYKES OUT TOGETHER Women In Film group, 7pm, Gigi, 443-7611.

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13 SATURDAY

RAINBOW REAL ESTATE PROFESSIONALS RUMMAGE SALE 9am-2pm, at the parking lot adjacent to the Gifted Gardener (22nd and J St.), proceeds to benefit community charities. Stanley Fong 455-5033

YOUTH SOCIAL 8pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

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PACIFIC RIM STREET FEST, Old Sacramento, Events Hotline, 558-3912.

REST & MOTION Ruth Rosenberg Dance Concert, 8pm, 24th St Theatre, 2791 24th St. 457-RRDE.

MARGIE ADAM Singer/Songwriter. 8pm, IMA CUltural Center, 585 Salmon Oak Creek Rd., Bodega, 707-876-3004.

BEING GAY TODAY Rep. Steve Gunderson is featured on Momentum TV. 10am, cable Channel 17.

14 SUNDAY

THE FABULOUS FLIRTATIONS With special guest Suede. Benefit for Lambda Community Center. 8pm, The Crest Theatre, 1013 K St., 442-0185.

SACRAMENTO COUNTY FAIR, Cal Expo, 263-3000.

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LESBIGAY PRIDE PICNIC 10am-6pm, Plaza Park, Visalia. 733-LBGA.

MOTHER'S DAY, Old Sacramento, Events Hotline, 558-3912.

ATHEISTS AND OTHER FREETHINKERS General meeting, Noon - 2pm. Sierra 2 Community Center, Bldg., 10, 2791 24th St., 446-2840.

AA MEETING 11am, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

ALBUM PRODUCTION WORKSHOP June Millington & Teresa Trull. 10am - 5pm. IMA CUltural Center, 585 Salmon Oak Creek Rd., Bodega, 707-876-3004.

15 MONDAY

MEN'S COMING OUT GROUP 5:30pm, Lambda Community Center, 20th & L Sts, 442-0185.

TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY GROUP 8-9pm, Lambda Center, 20 & L Sts, 442-0185.

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17 WEDNESDAY

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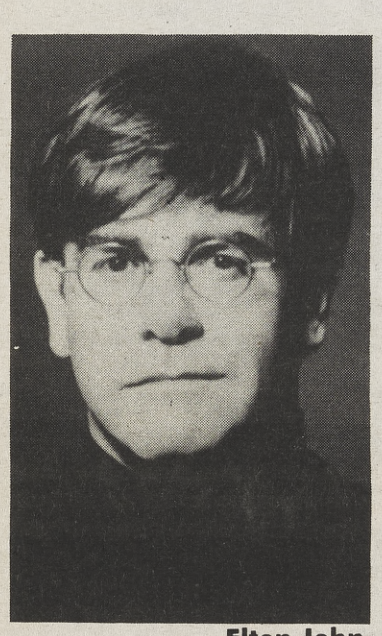
Musical cures for spring fever

Got a case of spring CD fever? Lots of new releases have hit the shelves; here's a quick run-down.

Special Collections

Fields of Gold: The Best of Sting has just hit the stores. Featuring his top hits from 1984-1994, the CD includes "When we Dance," "If You Love Somebody Set Them Free," " If I Ever Lose My Faith in You," "Fragile," and ten other tracks. *The Unplugged Collection*, a Warner Brothers-MTV collaboration, features 16 tracks, 12 of which were previously unreleased on LP. Annie Lennox, Stevie Ray Vaughan, Eric Clapton, k.d. lang, Rod Stewart, Paul McCartney, and John Mellencamp are among the featured artists on the first volume in this series.

Dink's diversity ranges from grunge, metal and punk.



Elton John

Gay/Lesbian Artists

Singer/songwriter Elton John has released his latest CD, *Made in England*. The disk features eleven new tunes penned by Elton John and Bernie Taupin. Twenty-four-year-old Melissa Ferrick — the other Melissa — has just released her second LP, *Willing to Wait*. The acoustic album features coming-of-age songs that detail the struggles to achieve fulfilling spiritual and physical relationships. Lesbian-feminist songwriter Ferron, who played at Davis' Palms Playhouse last March, has released her sixth CD, *Driver*. The LP is a remarkable collection of acoustic music from the woman critics say will be the next Bob Dylan or Joni Mitchell.

Pop

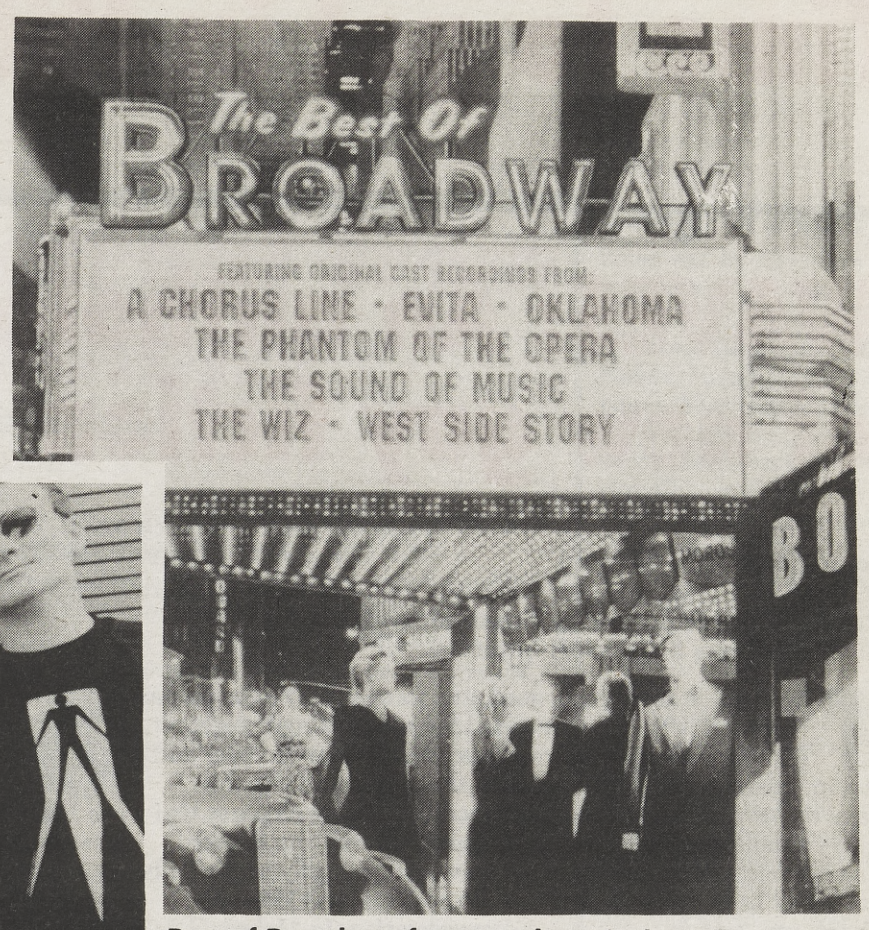
Bonnie Raitt's newest LP, *Longing in Their Hearts*, hit #1 on the Billboard Top 200 Album Chart in just its second week of release. The CD has already gone platinum and will serve as the theme for her extensive world tour. Look for Raitt and special guest Bruce Hornsby as they tour northern America beginning in July. If 21st century industrial rock and roll is your thing try the new CD, *Dink*, by the band of the same name. The band combines a variety of styles including grunge, metal, punk, and techno. It has been three years since Massive Attack released their debut CD. Their follow-up, *Protection*, features singers Tracey Thorn (from Everything But the Girl), Nicolette (Nigerian vocalist), and Horace Andy (Jamaican reggae star), in addition to rapper Tricky. The richly textured voice of Julia Fordham returns to us on her new CD, *Falling Forward*. The honesty and sensitivity seen in her earlier CDs is ever present in this one, too.

Jazz/New-Age

If an ambient fusion of Gregorian chant, mesmerizing electronics, and whispering sounds of nature peaks your interest, try the latest RCA release, *Oracle*. The debut album of father-and-daughter team Bob and Hilary James, *Flesh and Blood*, features a combination of jazz, pop, and rhythm and blues styles. The theme of the CD is love and all its shades and subtleties. For classic Brazilian jazz, Tom Briggs' *Moonlight* is the ticket. Not only does he sound like a male Astrud Gilberto, tenor sax player Bob Kindred evokes memories of vintage Stan Getz. With its cool, romantic sambas, this CD is hot!

Movies and Theater

Not to be missed in this category is the soundtrack from *Boys of the Side*. Bonnie Raitt, Melissa Etheridge, Sheryl Crow, Indigo Girls, Pretenders, The Cranberries, and other "family" favorites round out this great disk. The soundtrack from award-winning director Robert Altman's *Pret-A-Porter* (Ready-to-Wear) features tracks by U2, Ce Ce Peniston, The Cranberries, The Rolling Stones, Terence Trent D'Arby, The Brand New Heavies, and more. Enjoy, as it's unusual for one disk to have so many premiere artists converging on one project. Fans of musical theater will enjoy Rhino's newest collection, *The Best of Broadway*. The disk features the original stage performers singing selections from many hit shows including *Guys and Dolls, West Side Story, Phantom of the Opera, A Chorus Line, Jesus Christ Superstar, and Music Man*. As a part of a charitable effort, Rhino will be donating a portion of the proceeds from the sale of this disk to the Neil Bogart Memorial Fund which funds clinical research for the treatment and cure of AIDS.▼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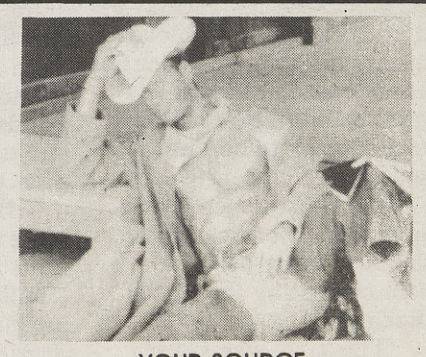

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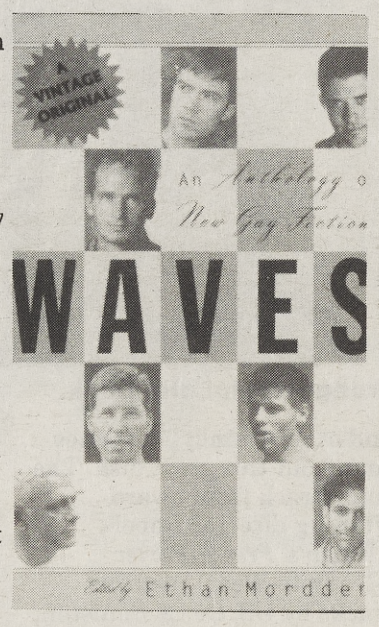
WAVES: An anthology of new gay fiction

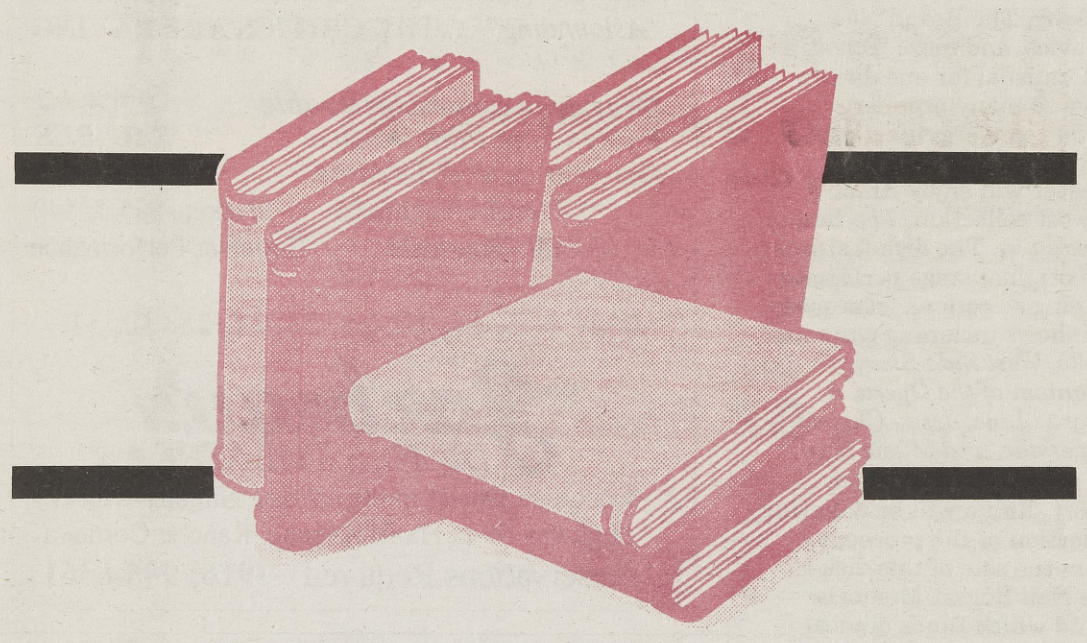
Reviewed by Dixon Stalward
MGW/Staff

Edited & introduction by Ethan Mordden
Vintage Books $12.00 soft-bound



This book is good, good, good, and in so many ways. Ethan Mordden is to be commended for just putting it together, and *then* after you've read his brilliant introduction and feel in possession of more erudition that you could possibly have *earned,* that impulse toward commendation changes to one of simple gratitude. Goddammit! Queer writing has never been better served. Thank you, sir.

To describe even most briefly each of the fourteen stories included would be a daunting task. They are indeed a handsome crowd, standing trim and tall. However I do feel it safe to observe that, as in any crowd, some stand a little taller than others. Jesse Green's "Mirandas" is elegantly economical, sleekly professional. "Marty", by Richard Davis, tugs deeply in the belly at those visceral knots of appreciation. In "John", G. Winston James twists again the confusion so often found attractive in the tawdry. Oh Lord, there is so much! There is so much to read, read and re-read! Invest your money in this book; you won't be shortchanged. But more than that, invest in yourself, invest in pride. This book is the first of many dividends to come. ▼



Point of no return

by Anne Chambers
MGW/Staff

***Getting to the Point*, by Teresa Stores. Tallahassee: The Naiad Press,Inc.,1995, 238 pp., $10.95 paperback.**

Point Will, Georgia. The small, southern town where she grew up keeps calling Dix back each time she faces a crises in her life. Dix's mother claims to still love her despite her announcement on a previous visit that she is gay, but her father will no longer speak to her and ignores her presence completely. Her beloved grandmother has been carefully sheltered from Dix's announcement by the rest of the family.

This time when Dix returns to The Point it is to spend the summer there helping to care for her dying grandmother, while at the same time trying to decide whether she wants to continue her relationship with her lover, Sarah. When Sarah shows up a few days later expecting to stay with her, Dix soon finds herself with some not entirely welcome help from Sarah confronting the long held prejudices of her family and the community.

Having grown up in a series of foster homes and thus never having had a real family of her own, Sarah is unsure about many aspects of family life. Her sudden immersion in Dix's family, combined with her aversion to following rules of "socially acceptable behavior," causes her to be the catalyst in some unique situations. Her efforts to help Dix see her "good old boy" father as he really is and her attempts to push Dix to confront her family's homophobic attitude will have readers flipping the pages to see what law of Southern behavior will be broken next.▼

You had to have

Reviewed by Jane Dwinell
MGW/Staff

***One Million Strong: The 1993 March On Washington for lesbian, gay and bi equal rights* By CeCe Cox, Lisa Means, and Lisa Pope, Boston: Alyson Publications, Inc., 1993**

I love marches and big events — the energy overwhelming and v powerful. I often wa and re-create that fe low times to give me "umph" to go on. I o wished for a book to do that and have alw disappointed. Maybe medium; videos ofte better at capturing t of an event. Maybe i

Canadian adventu

Reviewed by Jane Dwinell
MGW/Staff

***Down the Wild River North,* by Constance Helmericks, Seattle: Seal Press, Originally published 1968, republished 1993.**

Long before women were trekking in Nepal;, skiing the slopes of the Andes and running rivers in Colorado, Constance Helmericks and her daughters were canoeing the wilds of northern Canada. In 1965, divorced and adventurous Constance, along with fourteen-year-old Jean and twelve-year-old Ann, took off Down the Wild River North (the Peace,

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ents — the energy is erwhelming and very werful. I often want to try d re-create that feeling at v times to give me the mph" to go on. I often have shed for a book to help me that and have always been sappointed. Maybe it is the edium; videos often work tter at capturing the spirit an event. Maybe it's just not possible in a book.

One Million Strong, while a carefully put-together book, simply did not recreate the march I was at — and perhaps that is the problem with an event re-creation. The event portrayed may just not be the one the reader or viewer experienced. Next time I'll bring my own camera.▼

A Retreat from Monotony

Reviewed by Paris Winter
MGW/Staff

Happily Ever After by Stacy Chandler, Speculators Pub., Box 99038, Troy, MI 48099, 207 pgs.

Enjoyable to read, **Happily Ever After**, is a humorous perspective on the insight of lesbian partnerships. Stacy Chandler amusingly places us into dozens of everyday scenarios that she has encountered over the past 16 years with "Pootie," a pet name referring to her partner.

Topics include everything from meeting the in-laws to dividing up household chores and yard work to adjusting to each other's daily habits. With a tinge of sarcastic humor, Chandler describes the phenomenon of "Inner Timetables," meaning a person's perception of time when getting ready to go anywhere. "Pootie" thinks she has all the time in the world, while Ms. Chandler re-tiles the bathroom and adds a second wing to the house in the time she would normally have taken to pace back and forth waiting to "get a move on it!"

All in all, this book was a charming retreat from the monotony of daily life. I hope it will be as pleasurable for you to read as it was for me. I actually found myself laughing out loud with no one else in the room.▼

Long Goodbyes

Reviewed by Elisabeth Pyle
MGW/Staff

***Long Goodbyes* Nikki Baker, Naiad Press, 1993, 235 pages, $9.95 paperback.**

Virginia Kelly fans, take heart. She's back and she's in a situation we all have encountered - the return home to the class reunion. She has received a letter and a phone call from the woman she ardently admired in high school and hopes that this reunion is the answer to unrequited love.

As Baker believes in real life, this anticipated outcome has more twists and turns than the rock songs of the sixties and leads Ginny up and down and all around town, but does she make it into the arms of her long awaited lover? Read and see.

Not as strong as *The Lavender House Murder* or *In the Game*, this latest offering is a crucial link in the Virginia Kelly story and a must for all long time fans.

Get it. Read it before your reunion and hope yours is as action packed.▼

Ann Bannon featured on PBS

The spring broadcast of *In the Life* on PBS honored and profiled military veterans and veterans of the Stonewall Movement. In a future episode, Sacramento's Ann Bannon will be featured in a segment on the OutWrite conference in Boston. Nearly 2000 gay, lesbian, and bisexual writers and authors from across the country gathered at OutWrite to share ideas about writing. *In the Life* will feature interviews with Tony Kushner, Urvashi Vaid, Ann Bannon (author, *Odd Girl Out*), and Allen Berube (author, *Coming Out Under Fire*).▼

These new characters will become old friends

Reviewed by Anne Chambers
MGW/Staff

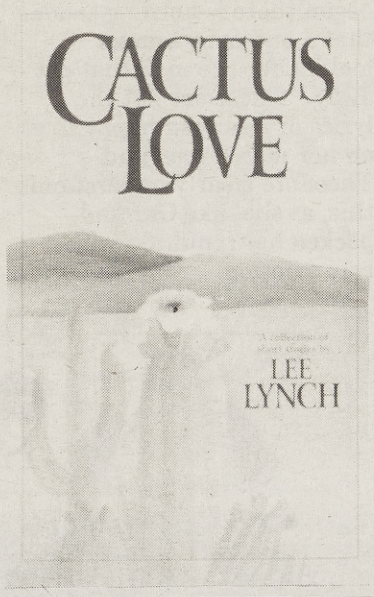
***Cactus Love*, a collection of short stories, by Lee Lynch. Tallahassee: The Naiad Press, Inc., 1994, 185 pp., $9.95 paperback.**

Lynch's many fans will welcome this new addition to their collection of her many popular novels and short stories.

Although some of the stories have contemporary themes, many have the feel of the 1950's, with characters whose "butch" and "femme" roles seem rigidly fixed compared with todays more relaxed blending or outright rejection of such roles.

In Lynch's *Cactus Love* readers will recognize as old friends many women they have come to know in her earlier works.

Readers who are new to Lynch's work will enjoy meeting truck driving Jody who just needs a shoulder to lean on, big-talking Merle who always seems to be recovering from a fight or about to get into another one, young Ericka who is just finding herself and finds a special hair cut to be a step in the right direction, and many others.



Once again Lee Lynch has brought to life characters who become as memorable and real as old friends. *Cactus Love* is a must for all current Lynch fans and will undoubtably earn her many more.▼

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Slave and Mackenzie Rivers in Alberta and the Northwest Territories) and eventually made their way to the Arctic Ocean. This book is the story Constance wrote of their trip which was funded by the advance of a trusting publisher, Little, Brown and Company. After Constance died in 1987, Jean searched for a publisher to re-publish this still-relevant, deeply moving memoir. Every woman should read this tale. It'll make your everyday life troubles seem pretty insignificant.▼

Surprisingly funny to sarcastic

Review by Lee Amir
MGW/Staff

***Diary of a Lost Boy* by Harry Kondoleon, Alfred Knopf, $20.**

Harry Kondoleon's fast-paced, searing *Diary of a Lost Boy* details the last two years of the life of the fictional "Hector Diaz" who is HIV-positive and on a search for detachment. It's difficult to call a novel whose main character is dying "delightful", yet this "diary" of sorts swings from vibrantly funny to surprisingly sarcastic.

The eclectic cast of characters includes "Susan and Bill Ded" (the straight couple who Hector lives with - alcoholic and philandering, respectively), "Kim" (the sexually ambiguous cook and nurse), "Noh" (possibly a chronic liar and thief, but supportive of Hector), "Maxwell Drake" (the gorgeous bisexual crush of Hector's), negative psychiatrists, negative doctors, negative well-meaning friends, and strange gurus.

Diary of a Lost Boy tackles AIDS in a positive, honest, and biting manner, while not sacrificing or padding the seriousness of Hector's feeling or situation. An insightful, precise, and delicious read!▼

A stellar tribute to Judy Garland benefits the Sacramento AIDS Foundation

by Jim Fitzpatrick
MGW/Staff

Judy said it best, and I quote: 'I think I'm happiest when I'm on stage performing, helping people forget their problems.'" So said guest vocalist Donna Theodore on stage with the Sacramento Symphony last Saturday evening, April 22. Then, in concurrence with her quote of the legendary singer and movie star, Ms. Theodore simply stated, "Me too."

And she proved it. In her hour-long show, *The Judy Garland Years,* Donna Theodore, star of Broadway, television, and the concert stage, belted out a highly charged program of songs closely associated with Judy Garland. And while much of Theodore's stage presence recalled the looks and movements of Garland — complete with an entrance wearing a hat similar to that worn by Garland in her famous "Get Happy" scene in the MGM musical *Summer Stock* — it was clear this was not an imitation of Judy Garland, but a fitting tribute in every sense of the word.

Performing with the Sacramento Symphony and conductor/arranger Eric Knight, Theodore's vocal delivery was distinctly her own. Her voice, which to a degree resembles that of her contemporary, Maureen McGovern, is very different from Garland's. And while the orchestral arrangements were similar to Garland's, it is the vocals that, by nature of the show, invite comparison. And about the only similarity that can be made is that, like Garland, Theodore really knows how to belt out a song. But Theodore does it with a less vibrato-laden delivery. In short, while paying tremendous respect to the great Garland, she managed to make the show her own.

One of the ways Theodore accomplished this was by cleverly weaving the entire program with portions of the "Born in a Trunk" musical sequence from Garland's classic 1954 *A Star is Born*. In that film, the 16-minute interlude tells the story of the central character's rise to fame. Theodore used her arrangments of segments from the piece to relate both historical stories of Garland's life and of her own career in show business, before using the segments the segue into the next number.

One highlight of Theodore's performance was her rendition of another song from *A Star is Born,* a song which many consider Garland's finest musical performance recorded on film, "The Man That Got Away." Theodore introduced the song by saying, "The reason I wanted to do this show was to do this song." She then launched into it, giving the song the dramatic, heartfelt rendering this most "torchy" of the Garland standards calls for. Unlike Barbra Streisand's rendition of the song on her recent live video and album, which (forgive me Barbra fans) tried to turn the song into an upbeat anthem of a woman scorned, Theodore seems to have a deeper understanding of the song's message of a woman tormented by a lost love. Consider lines like "The road gets rougher, it's lonelier and tougher. With hope you burn up, tomorrow he might turn up. There's just no letup, the live long night and day. Ever since the world began there is nothing sadder that a one-man woman looking for the man that got away." These are not the lyrics of a woman happy to go on her merry way, and Theodore clearly understands this, as she, like Garland, packed her rendition with raw emotion.

In a brief discussion with me at the reception following the performance, Theodore reiterated her feelings about this song, saying, "It's hard to perform one song closely identified with another artist. That's why you have to do an entire show to accommodate the song you want to perform." And were we glad she did!

The Saturday night performance also served as the basis for fund-raising efforts for various AIDS organizations. The Sacramento Names Project displayed panels from the AIDS Memorial Quilt in the Community Theater lobby, collecting donations during intermission. A Shot of Class restaurant played host to both a pre-concert dinner and the fabulous post-concert reception ($125 for dinner and reception), with all proceeds benefiting the Sacramento AIDS Foundation. Participants in the reception indulged in dancing to Big Band music, dessert, and martini tasting sponsored by Skyy Vodka. It all added up to one elegant and worthy evening on the town for everyone who participated.▼

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Vocalist Donna Theodore signs autographs at the post-concert reception at a Shot of Class restaurant.

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Tina Reynolds, left, of the Capitol AIDS Walk Committee and Susan Evans, chair of the Let The Miracles Begin Committee at the post-concert reception at A Shot of Class.

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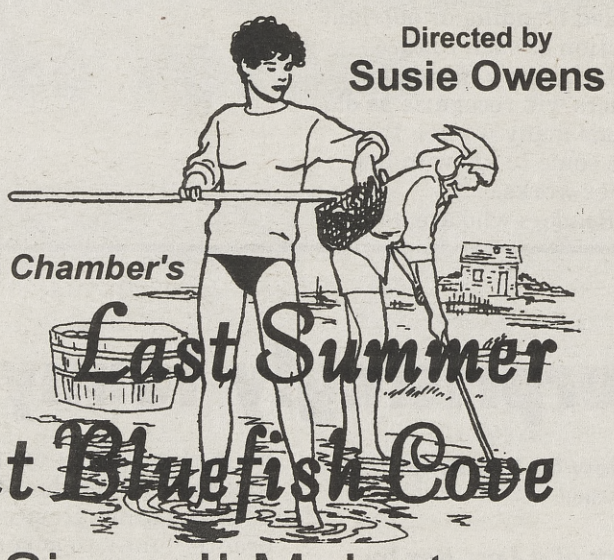
Dr. Scott Christensen, president of the Board of Directors of the Sacramento AIDS Foundation and Nancy Langford enjoy post-concert indulgences at A Shot of Class.



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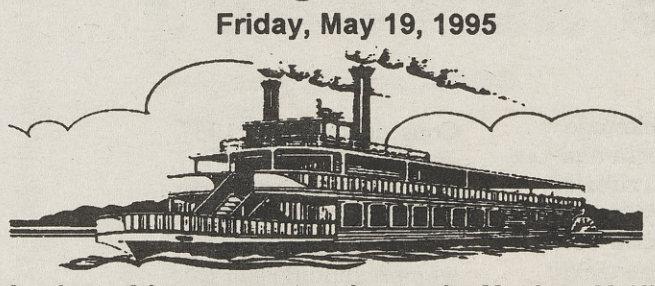

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Really annoying grrrl

Reviewed by Stefan Grünwedel
MGW/Staff

Tank Girl. Directed by Rachel Talalay. Starring Lori Petty, Ice-T, Naomi Watts, and Malcolm McDowell.

You know the Riot Grrrl type has entered the mainstream of "alternative" lifestyles when a major studio like Universal releases a film like *Tank Girl,* about a spiky-haired, irreverent, beer-guzzling, cigarette-smoking apocalyptic smartass living on a war-torn earth that's without much water.

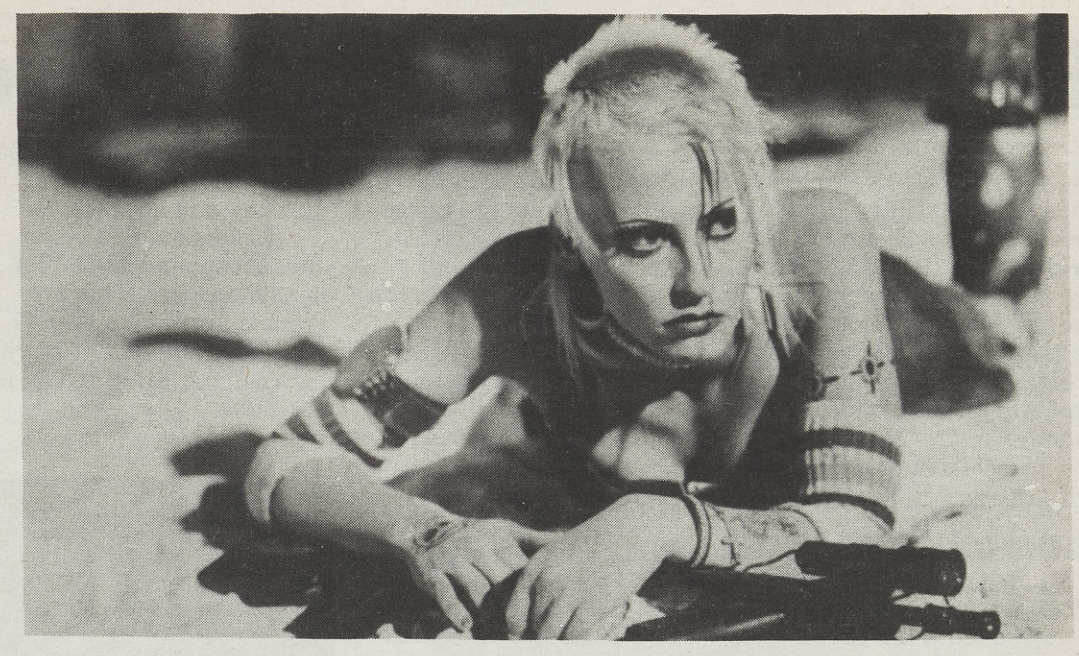
Judging from its lack of longevity in Sacramento-area theaters, however, it would appear that at least this treatment of the genre fell flat. That's not surprising.

Maybe it was because Tank Girl (Petty) is supposed to be such a heroine, yet she succeeds in spite of herself. Given the mortality rate of her companions, she shouldn't live past the first reel. She's actually pretty dumb; it's mainly stupid luck (and a forgiving plot) that saves her. Oh yes, she also uses sex as a weapon and reward; such a novel idea befitting a heroine of the enlightened, trend-busting '90s!

Perhaps it's because her hip dialog is a little too out of place (actually anachronistic) for the year 2033. It undermines the credibility of her world.

As a female action hero, Tank fares as well as her male cohorts; but that's hardly an improvement, more like an adjustment.

It's her staunch ally, Jet Girl (Watts), who delivers the goods. She's smart (and therefore not as "pretty," per Hollywood's logic) and it's her ingenuity that gets Tank Girl out of trouble. There's also a sexual ambiguity about Jet that Tank notices at first sight—even playing with it to ward off an overbearing man—but it's not developed much further than that.



Barbie in Punk Drag (they're both white, blonde, dumb, and pay a lot of attention to their makeup) — Lori Petty in Rachel Talalay's Tank Girl.

In general, the men in *Tank Girl* get a strange treatment. If they're not evil incarnate and all-powerful, they're comical and weak. McDowell fans will love his role as the ruthless head (literally) of the Water and Power Company who wants to own all the water in the world. Those who are tired of his evil portrayals will shortly be tired of this character too. Ice-T plays the leader of a group of half-men/half-kangaroo mutants, whose presence adds only more silliness to the rambling plot.

Fans of the Australian comic book character, *Tank Girl,* on which this film is based, assure me that Petty is a pale imitation of the real Tank Girl. Local comic stores report that the presses are now reprinting the old series, which didn't develop much of a following in this country. It might be worth your while to wait for those issues to arrive before renting the *Tank Girl* video later this year.▼

Les Girls!

Reviewed by Stefan Grünwedel
MGW/Staff

Bar Girls. Directed by Marita Giovanni. Starring Nancy Allison Wolfe and Liza D'Agostino.

If we lived in a world that had several new queer releases from major studios each season, *Bar Girls* would be the kind of film it's nice to see about once a year—funny and engaging, if a tad uneven. Since we do not live in that world, you'll be going to see *Bar Girls* and you'll probably enjoy it.

From the reactions of the audience, director Giovanni got the bar-girl types right, if not some of their behavior. Empathetic shouts of "right on!"—mixed with unconvinced yells of "yeah, right!"—bubbled from the lesbians at the screening, attesting to this film's ability to portray these women both convincingly and unrealistically. "Yes, I've seen her type at the Buffalo Club," audience members seemed to think, "but that pick-up routine never works!"

Probably the most admirable quality of the film are the characters. These stereotypical dykes are given a decidedly nonmale/straight spin; their identities are altogether independent from men. A dewy-eyed babydyke who was initially looking for a feminine type pairs up with a big-boned butch from South Carolina. A predatory, lesbian police cadet preys upon couples in shaky relationships. A juice-fasting, flirtatious, New Age KloneDyke is paired with a new, thin, trendy-looking companion in every other scene. The world-weary, sympathetic barkeep does her best to please her customers and keep them out of harm's (sometimes each other's) way. There are also some unglamorous, "real" people too—the real stars—who get to shine just as much as the rest. Everyone plays their role to the hilt.

Better than *Claire of the Moon,* but no *Go Fish* — Liza D'Agostino and Nancy Allison Wolfe in *Bar Girls*

As soon as Loretta (Wolfe) spies Rachel (D'Agostino) entering the bar, she tells her friend that she'll have this newcomer in her car in ten minutes, or else. Using an unbelievable routine, she in fact does. Soon they're fast buddies—and lovers—but ex's and rivals soon surface and threaten to split them apart. In this lesbian hangout, partner hopping afflicts practically everyone.

Shenanigans aside, *Bar Girls* suffers from only two defects. Loretta and Rachel share a series of stories about previous lovers with each other, but the flashbacks are handled rather clumsily. And there's one particularly maudlin scene that drew hardly restrained chortles and then open ridicule in which Loretta stares at the mirror and comes to terms with Rachel's leaving. She decides cannot really love anyone until she learns to love herself. A little heavy on the psychobabble—and rather unexpected—for this romantic comedy.

It also seems odd that so many characters in the film act surprised to find an ex-lover in the bar when they enter with some new partner. Where else can these women go? This bar seems to be the only one for lesbians in town! Lesbians in Sacramento don't know how lucky they are to have more than one hang-out!

Overall, however, the film is fun to watch. A couple of gay men sitting nearby seemed squirmish at some of the sexually direct language, so it remains to be seen whether *Bar Girls* will enjoy crossover audiences, despite distribution by mainstream Orion Pictures. There's no reason why it shouldn't, though. If whites can enjoy Spike Lee's *Crooklyn* last year, there's no reason why straights cannot enjoy Giovanni's lesbian-centered flick this year. It's just a matter of how many young, open minds there are out there to buy tickets and impress the studio executives who worship the bottom line.▼

The making of *Bar Girls*

Wolfe Video, the largest video supplier to the Gay and Lesbian community, announced that they will be producing and releasing a new video on the making of the hot new romantic comedy, *Bar Girls*. Scheduled to be available shortly after the theatrical release of the motion picture by Orion Classics. *The Making of Bar Girls* will include behind the scenes action and antics as well as outtakes and exclusive interviews with the makers and actors, including Nancy Allison Wolfe, Liza D'Agostino, Camila Griggs and even Chastidy Bono.

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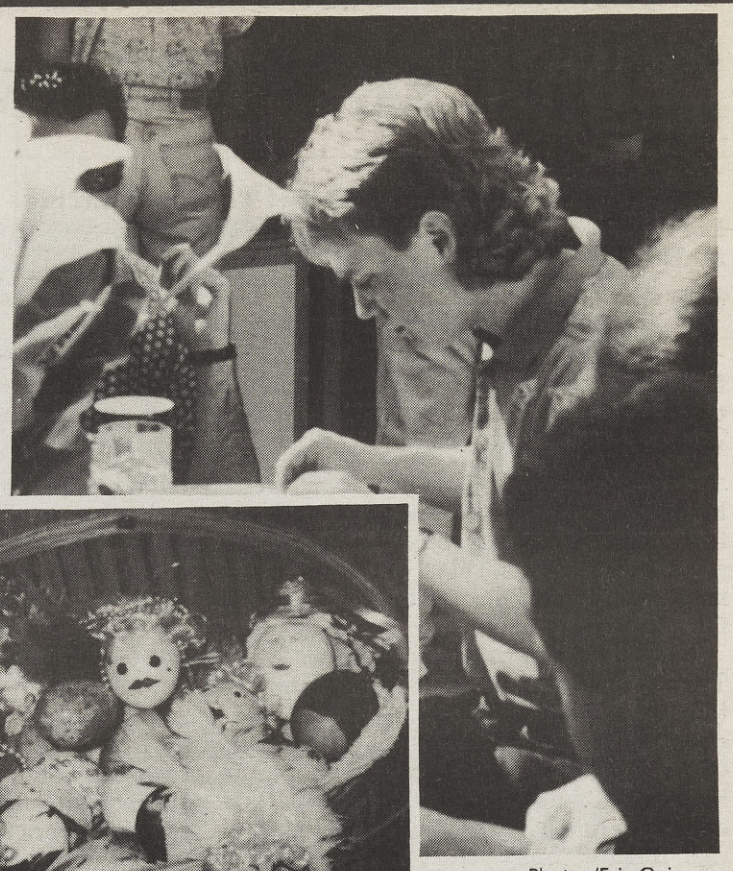
The "Matthew McKinley" was completed in November 1983 and patterned after "Isleton," a passenger cargo sternwheeler that operated between Stockton and Sacramento from 1903 to the late 1920's.

The cruise will include hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Taped music will be available for the "dancing feet" in the crowd. Capacity for the trip is limited to 155 women. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Tickets are $24.50 for subscribers and $29.50 for nonsubscribers. This program is for women over 21 years of age only. For more information, call SACWN at 451-8034.



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The rain didn't dampen creativity Saturday, April 8th, as friends gathered at the home of Phil Klamm and Eric Geiger to decorate eggs at their Fifth Annual Eggstravaganza. Twenty-nine dozen eggs were coiffed, colored, beribboned, and bowed for donation to Hope House, Mustard Seed School, and Loaves and Fishes.

Lambda Freedom Fair to wrap up ten days of pride in June

The tenth annual Lambda Freedom Fair, Sacramento's largest gay pride event, is set for Saturday, June 10, from 10am to 5pm, at the State Capitol. A voluntary donation of two dollars will be accepted at the gate. Lambda Freedom Fair 10 will be the climax for this year's theme: "Ten Days of Pride."

Last year, the Lambda Freedom Fair was relocated from McKinley Park to the State Capitol due to continued success and an overwhelming increase in size. Nearly 20,000 people visited a record number of booths and vendors during the day-long event. The fair was part of a nationwide celebration of the 25th anniversary of Stonewall.

The fair's organizing committee is seeking musical entertainment, comedians, artisans, speakers, exhibitors, and vendors. Any interested individuals are encouraged to call the Lambda Community Center for details.

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Activities galore for dogs

by Joan B. Guertin
MGW/Staff Writer

May seems to have gone to the dogs with many exciting activities for area dog lovers. May 7 is the beginning of National Pet Week and The Sacramento Council of Dog Clubs and Canine Companions for Independence will kick things off in a big way with the Second Annual Canine Carnival. This year's event will be at Howe Park at Howe and Cottage Avenues from 9am to 5pm.

The day will be filled with games and contests for dogs and their owners. The family can dress the pup up for the master/dog look-a-like contest or the costume contest. Retrievers can show off their expertise in the Tennis Ball Catch or the Land Retrieve. There will be contests for tallest or smallest dog; the dog with the longest ears, tail, or hair, or the waggingest tail. The family barker may win for the Most Barks Within a Minute. A very clever dog can strut its stuff in the Trick Contest. And the fast fellas can compete in 25 yard dash competition.

The Canine Good Citizen test will be run from 10am - 5pm and it is a good opportunity to discover if the family pet can behave acceptably in public. In order to compete, the dog must show proof (written, not tags) of being properly licensed with the City or County.

Demonstrations are scheduled by Canine Companions for Independence and several obedience clubs. There will also be a Parade of Rescue Dogs and the Northern California Dachshund Club will conduct their famous Dachshund Races.

Local media celebrities will be on hand to judge and hand out prizes to the winners and cheer on the contestants. Come out and get autographs from such folks as Walt Gray, Lois Hart, Alice Scott, Dave Walker, and Geoff Metcalf.

A real highlight will be the 9:30 am and 2:30 pm Agility Demonstrations by Haute Dawgs Agility Group.

There will be a raffle with major prizes, booths featuring dog breeds and dog items ...

For those who love dogs and were fans of the Lassie TV series, Lassie's buddy, Timmy, will be on hand to sign autographs and talk about what it was like to work with the famous collie. Of course, actor Jon Provost is all grown up now and he's looking forward to spending the day at the event with his family.

There will be a raffle with major prizes, booths featuring dog breeds, and dog items. The entire family can enjoy the day for the low cost of $4.00 per person, $2.00 for children 10 and under, with those under 4 admitted free. Contest fees are $6.00 for the first contest, which entitles entrant to a souvenir dog scarf per dog and $2.00 for each additional contest per dog.

I think *MGW's* Linda Birner should bring the resident Schnauzers out for the day! They should be able to win the Most Barks competition, hands down.

All net proceeds will be divided between The Councils Educational Fund and CCI.

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CCI will also be out in force the following Saturday, May 13th, for their annual Human Race. Held in William Land Park, the event offers folks the opportunity to Run, Walk or Roll for CCI. It is a worthy cause and more information is available by calling Debbie at 722-4243. The event will take place as scheduled, rain or shine!

Then, on Saturday, May 20, Tri-visual Services will host their Tenth Annual Dog-A-Thon at 9am sharp for a 40-block fun-walk through Sacramento from the West steps of the State Capitol building on 10th Street to Sutters Fort and back. Call 447-7323 for information.

Who knows, you might even see me out with one of my Corgis. I know for sure that I will be at the Canine Carnival! It is always fun to be able to do things with the pups, so take advantage of these great events while supporting some very worthwhile events.▼

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HIV NEWSLINE

On the HIV front...

By Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV Editor

Marinol test shows good results...

A study of 139 people at 18 AIDS treatment centers across the country shows that dronabinol (Marinol, a synthetic marijuana derivative) is a safe and effective treatment for the weight loss and anorexia experienced by many people with AIDS. Weight loss of more than 10 percent of normal body weight is diagnosed in nearly 20 percent of all people with an AIDS diagnosis. "Though Marinol may take up to two to four weeks to produce appetite improvement," says the researcher conducting the study from St. John Medical Center in Tulsa, "at the end of 6 weeks there was already a small weight gain in patients treated with Marinol." Median T-cell count of those in the study was 39; they received 2.5 mg twice a day. The study also showed control of nausea and vomiting in patients receiving chemotherapy who had failed to respond adequately to more conventional treatments, an ultimately stabilized weight gain, and significant improvements in mood.

"... there was already a small weight gain in patients treated with Marinol."

3TC demand grows...

The British pharmaceutical company Glaxo Holdings, still months away from seeking federal approval to market the anti-viral drug 3TC, has begun rationing supplies of the experimental treatment after two favorable studies have sent demand soaring. 3TC is a chemical cousin of AZT. Results from two studies show that when the drugs are taken at the same time, both work better than they do alone. Study participants taking a combination of 3TC and AZT not only maintained stable T-cell levels, but even experienced a modest increase in their white blood counts — and, more importantly, maintained those increases for over a year. Under Food and Drug Administration guidelines, the drug has been distributed free since October 1993 under a "compassionate use" protocol while the studies continue. As time has passed, however, the results have continued to show promise, creating a huge demand. About 18,000 PWAs now receive the drug, and physicians apply to enroll nearly 1,000 more every week in the study. The company says it can handle only about one-third this number. Under the slow marketing and testing process, 3TC will probably not be approved until February 1996.

HIV test may predict care needs...

A new test that measures levels of genetic material freely floating in the bloodstream seems to have the potential to flag newly infected people whose health may need to be watched more closely. About half of people with HIV develop some AIDS symptoms within 10 years. Many others stay healthy for 15 years or longer. The study, reported in the Annals of Internal Medicine, followed 62 gay men whose approximate date of infection was known. It seemed to show that those with persistently high levels of HIV genetic material in their plasma in the two years immediately following infection were most likely to develop AIDS or immune system damage within a shorter timeframe. The test is not yet approved for widespread use.

Alternative support...

For those who want information about acupuncture, massage, and other alternative and holistic methods to supplement their health care program, the eighth annual AIDS, Medicine and Miracles meeting will be held in New York June 1-4. Phone 800-944-3212 if you'd like info.

Card scam resurfaces...

A Canadian-based company is marketing "HIV negative" ID cards, certificates, and a little booklet with a seal saying blood tests show the card carrier to be HIV negative. Of course, the card is only good for the day the blood was drawn, and doesn't acknowledge that it may take three months to a year after infection to test positive for HIV antibodies. Officials say it's an obscene way to make money. The scam was tried for a while in this country, but the New York attorney general filed suit against the company.

Feline vaccines deserve another look...

The chairman of the Harvard AIDS Institute says scientists trying to develop an HIV vaccine should look more closely at vaccines that are effective against feline leukemia virus. Scientists say it could be impossible to create a human vaccine that's effective against a virus that targets the immune system, becomes a part of it, and then destroys it. Such vaccines, however, have been available for years for cats. Made from either killed whole retroviruses or recombinant-expressed envelope subunits, feline vaccines have proved highly effective in offering safe protection to millions of animals. A new study on the feline immuno-deficiency virus, says the researcher, will address HIV envelope variation.

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As long as you are remembered, you live!

Sacramento readers are invited to add the names of their loved ones to MGW's remembrance column. Please call 648-1120 at least 30 days prior to the anniversary month of your loss. ▼

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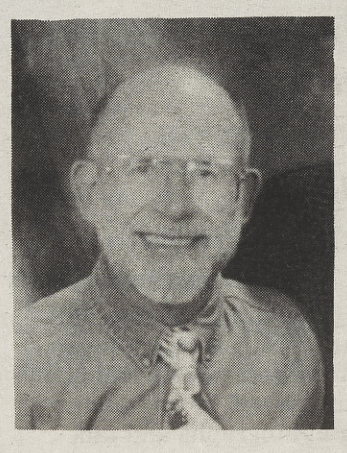
Ben "William" Goldstein

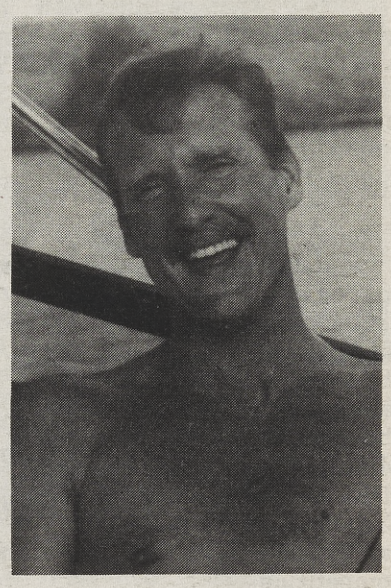
Born in Cheyenne, Wyoming to Ben and Sarah Goldstein, Ben died in Sacramento with his partner, Ari, at his side. Loving friends Don and Mary had just said good-bye. Ben was preceded in death by his



parent, sister Addie and special buddies Laszlo, Merle and Bill. He is survived by brother Irving, sisters Ruthe and Gertrude, nieces Sharon, Tara and Dana, other family, special friends Paul, Jessica, Carol, Grady and Jill, and by his faithful Chesapeake Bay Retriever, "Buster".

After attending the University of Wyoming, Ben called San Francisco home until moving to Sacramento in 1990. A proficient trumpet player, Ben was an early member of the Lesbian/Gay Freedom Band. His passion for music led to employment by the S.F. Opera, as Production Assistant to (then Director) Kurt Herbert Adler and by the S.F. Symphony, as Manager of Halls and Facilities. Ben was thrilled to accompany the Symphony on its Asian tour. A lover of collectibles, Ben owned Dancing Bear Antiques in S.F. and Sacramento.

Donations may be made to any organization benefiting AIDS, music, or animals. Ben's memorial gathering will be in Sacramento. For date/location, or to submit written recollections about Ben, phone 737-8385.▼



Daniel Miles Cargile

He'd be the first to tell you there was a booger hanging from your nose. He'd be the first to lend a hand in a time of need. He cherished a good joke and transformed a simple daily task into a hilarious comedy. He took great pride in his work, his family, his friends, his play, his opinion, and his appearance (Forever, The Stud). The richness of his heart was eternally revealed in his electric blue eyes.

His many years working at Inland Business Machines develped Daniel's sense of integrity and responsibility.

He was an angel here on earth. Now his laughing spirit looks over us from a better, more powerful place.

After a 7 month battle, Daniel M. Cargile succumbed to AIDS in the early hours of April 5, 1995. Close friends and family held a vigil of prayer, love, and support during his final hours.

Daniel is survived by his partner, Scot Hickel. His father and stepmother, Linzy and Susan Cargile, and his birthmother, Donna Boyer.

You are in us, "Dan the Man" and we are grateful for the light of your special touch. Always.

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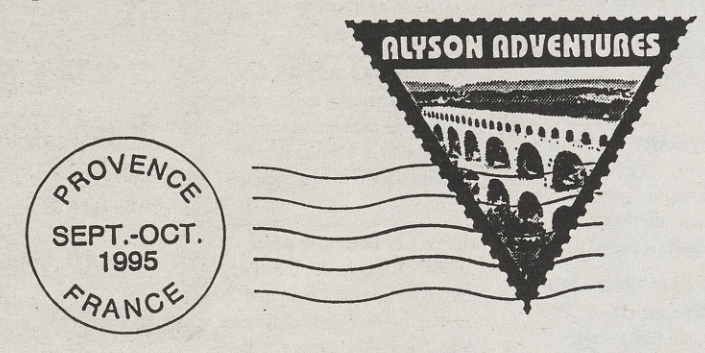
A Travel Company On A Different Path

A new travel company has carved out a unique niche for itself: Gay adventure travel. "Different people relax in different ways," says founder Sasha Alyson.

"For some, a beach vacation or ocean cruise is just the thing. Others are looking for more adventure." His new company, Alyson Adventures, aims at that latter group, specializing in "active travel for gay men, lesbians, and our friends."

Beginning with bicycle tours in southern France this autumn, the company will offer ski, scuba, and hiking trips in 1996. Alyson, who is already known in the gay community as the founder of the country's largest gay publishing house, will split his time between publishing work and his new travel venture.

Besides its focus on active vacations, the new company has another difference: Friends of the gay community are encouraged to sign up, too.



"Many of us don't care whether the person on the bike next to us is gay or straight. We just want them to be comfortable about who we are," explained Alyson.

"Gay-only and women-only tours have served a purpose, and for some folks they still do. But I think many of us increasingly want to meet a broader mix of people."

The Gay Games, he noted, has been successful in creating a gay-positive atmosphere while still welcoming both gay and straight participants.

Information: 617-247-8170.▼

Dungeons/castles leather tour set

Dungeons and Castles of Europe tour, organized by Keys Travel Tours will be a two-week escorted tour September 14-17, and will include visits to centuries-old dungeons as well as after-dark events as leather-oriented celebrations at Munich's Oktoberfest and visits to leather clubs and bars. The tour itinerary includes Rothenburg ob der Tauber, Munich, Berlin, Rhine Valley, and Amsterdam.

Each tour, limited to 20 men plus the guide, will include ground transportation, all hotels, admissions, and many meals and evening events, and costs U.S. $2,390 per person, double occupancy, not including air fare.

The tour will visit the 11th-century Gravensteen Castle of Ghent, Belgium, noted for its famous collection of torture instruments and an often-used guillotine; Rhine River castles, including Marksburg Castle, one of the best-restored and most authentic castles in existence; and the museum of Medieval Justice in Rothenburg ob der Tauber, also in Germany. Info: 452-5200.▼

Gay/lesbian Air Tours

Virgin Vacations has introduced a new air-inclusive tour package that is customized for the gay community. . . a first in the airline tour package industry.

With tours like "Out in London's West End" and "London Proper/Gay Paree," Virgin Vacations offers its customary features including round-trip airfare on Virgin, hotel stays ranging from tourist to deluxe class, meet & greet service, airport transfers, theater tickets on London-only packages, continental breakfast daily and welcome packets. In addition, gay and lesbian travelers receive a free copy of *Detours Guide to London* (a gay and lesbian travel guide), free admission to select London gay clubs and special discounts at gay-friendly London restaurants.

... gay and lesbian travelers can also enjoy a personal guided walking tour ...

Virgin Vacations' packages start at $679 for a three night/four day stay in London. In addition to the above mentioned vacations, gay and lesbian travelers can also enjoy a personal guided walking tour of London's gay history and community, adventure add-ons including biking tours through the New Forest and Isle of Wight, cycling and walking tours of the Cotswolds, and a walking tour of East Sussex. Virgin Vacations also offers packages that include popular cities such as Paris and Amsterdam to the gay traveler. Information: 1-800-364-6466

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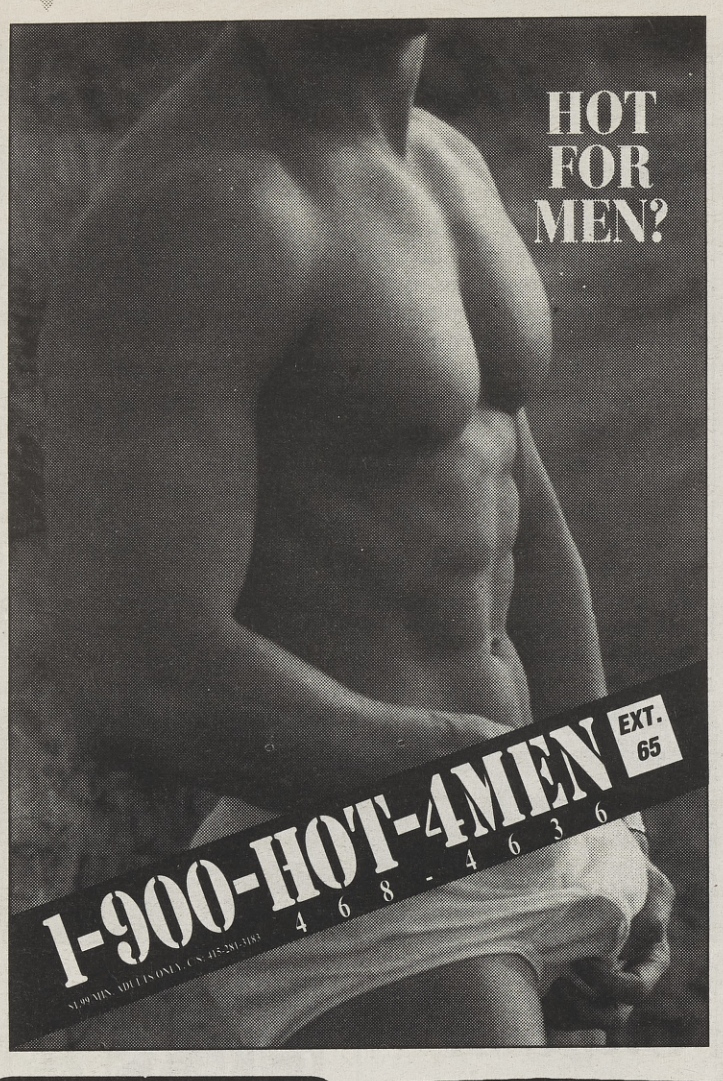

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Rio Linda **GARY** 27, single WM, lkg for someone into long walks talks, lt jazz and good cln fun, non drinker, don't like bars, lkg for a serious rel- ☎39761

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Tahoe City **BLONDE AND BUFFED:** Doug, 38, 5'6, 145, blnd/blu cute fun loving and buffed, iso studly mtn playmates who like to ski hang out on the beach; hike, work out, into good food candlelight dinners and romance- ☎37112

Lake Tahoe **SCULPTOR:** Matt, Sculptor, gd size gallery, int in meeting men younger than me 35 men in their 20s, smaller than me 5'11, 200 hairy, top man, oral too, want to meet a decent guy, wants to share alot of things, even being a sculptor- ☎36954

Lake TAhoe **HAIRY TOP:** Matt, 5'10, 220 hairy top like to be oral, lkg for a smaller/younger man, 35 lkg for 20s, sculptor, looking for someone creative, if ur int lv a message- ☎36954

Sacramento **IN OR OUTDOOR FUN:** AD large BM, 39, brn/hzl, int in meeting guys 35-45 for fun in or out doors, short or long term rel- ☎37182

Sacramento **CRUISY ACTION:** Bill, 5'11, brn must hairy chest and legs 175 work out a bit want to find some cruisy action, like to get together, give me a call - ☎7571

Sacramento **CRUISY AREAS?** Bill, 5'11, brn/blu hairy chest, work out int in meeting guys who work out too, int in cruisy action in the area, Reno area, lv a message- ☎7571

Visalia **HORNY PHONE FUN:** one guy thats real horny looking for some hot talk over the fone, like to meet up in person, lv a message- ☎35115

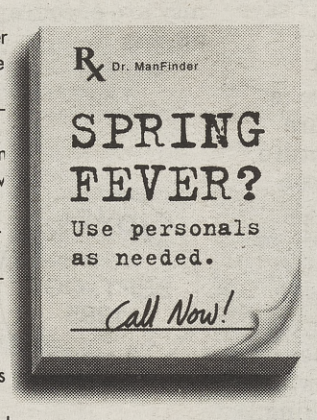
Sonora Co. **CABIN IN THE WOODS:** Kevin, 33 WM looking to meet another guy int in outdoor activities, live on a cabin on two acres building a monong rel ☎42602

Stockton **BOWLING AND CAMPING:** John, 23, single WM brn/blu 5'6, independent, iso friends any race, ages 22-29 ☎35668

Sonora Co. **OUT-DDORS KINDA GUY:** Kevin, looking to meet a gdlkg outdoor type of guy to build friendship/ rel, ☎42602

Salinas **SILVER GREY HAIR:** Rod, 49, 6', 160, silver grey hair, iso friends with gay men in the area north to SF, and south to SD - enjoy travelling ☎36378

Antioch **CHRIS19** filipino male 5'10 165, blk/brn nice outgoing, interested give me a call- ☎27380



Sacramento **LOOKING FOR A BIG TOP:** GWM 30 iso well endowed top for fun, any race age, Stan- ☎28588

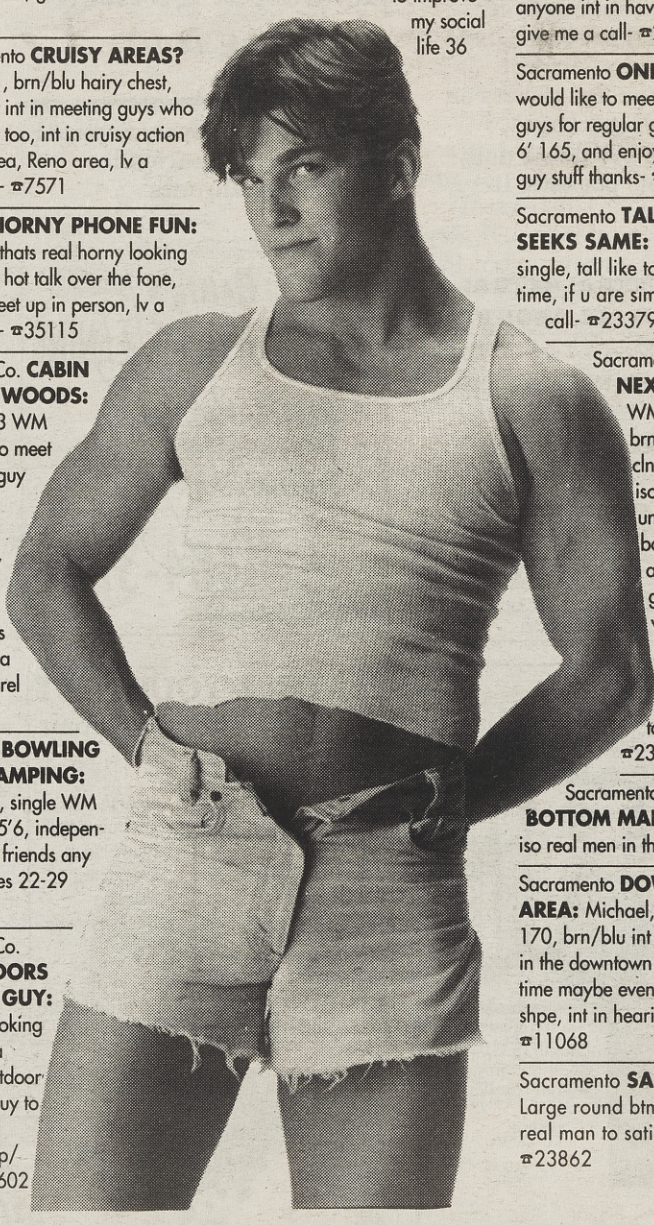
Sacramento **STUDLY COWBOYS:** Kinda new to this, want to meet some other studly cowboys 30-40 masc only, if ur int ☎28721

Chico **CHICO GUYS:** GWM 21 iso GM in the area for friendship poss rel, top male- give me a call- Shane- ☎28865

Sacramento **HAIRY BLONDE:** Brian, 27, WM 6', blnd/blu 200 hairy guy iso someone to get together with for poss rel- ☎28956

Sacramento **SHARE SOME LAUGHS:** guys guy iso someone good lkg good spirited to share laughs and have some fun- ☎29337

Truckee **AVID SKIIER:** Jeff, athl outgoing fit, like to party looking to improve my social life 36



blnd/blu 160, avid skiier, outdoors, like to meet w/sim int for good times, poss rel- ☎29570

Citrus Hts **SALT AND PEPPER HAIR:** Ken, 43, male, 6', 160, long salt and pepper hair with mustache, like to meet some guys in the area, like to get together and see what happens, ☎31372

Sacramento **VERSATILE TOP:** Bob, early 30s versatile top in the area, looking to meet guys to play and party sorta new to the area- ☎30620

Sacramento **ENDOWED MEN:** Jim, looking for some older well end'd men to have fun with, let's get together ☎31013

Modesto **SCOTT 24 Y/O** 5'11 160 brnbrn iso guys 18-30 give me a call- ☎26553

Auburn **CONSTRUCTION TYPES:** John, like to meet guys pref const types and young 20-35 give me a call- ☎25706

Sacramento **MARRIED BI CURIOUS:** Greg 24 WM 5'9 160, married bi curious looking for my first time mid town area masc, iso 20-30 around the same build, very discreet, lv a message ☎26908

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Sacto **QUIET EVEN-INGS:** Steven 35 6'1 175 brn/ beard must iso someone for fun in/ out of doors, music and a quiet eve at home with a movie, sounds int ☎27289

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Sacramento **ONE OR MORE:** would like to meet one or more guys for regular get togethers, 40 6' 165, and enjoy movies and guy stuff thanks- ☎28387

Sacramento **TALL GUY SEEKS SAME:** Tony, 38, single, tall like to have a good time, if u are similar, give me a call- ☎23379

Sacramento **BOY NEXT DOOR:** Brett WM 21, 5'9 brn/blu, slim built, cln cut, very attr, iso other WM under 30, slim no bodybuilders slim and cute for good times and weekends, want someone to teach me everything, little to no bdy hair- ☎23852

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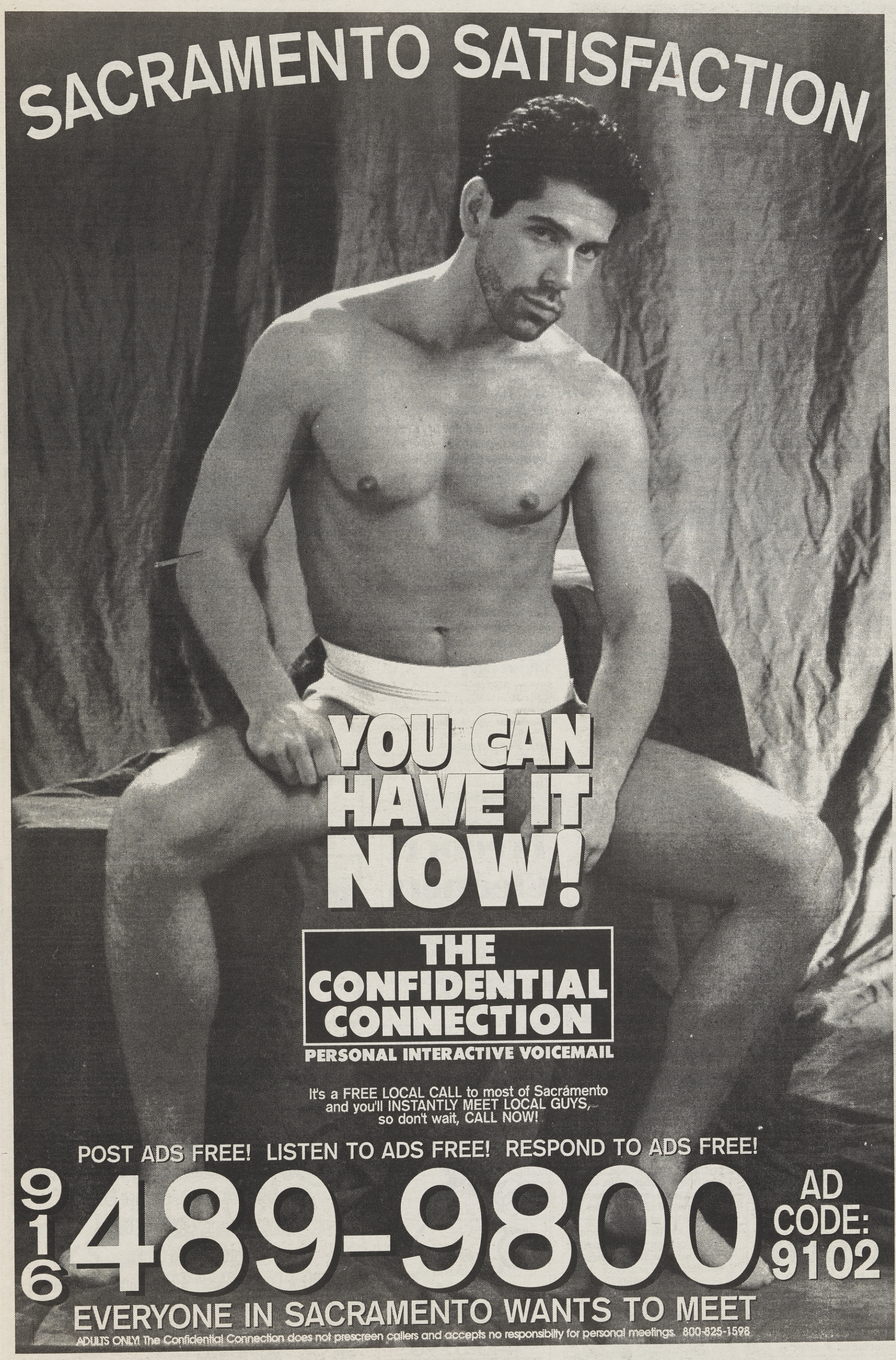
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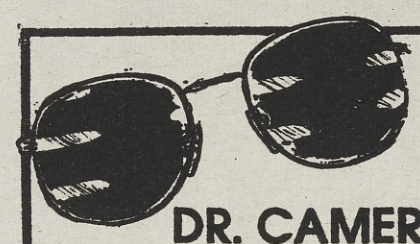
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Garbeau's Dinner Theatre, *Harvey*, thru May 7; *Wait Until Dark*, May 12 - Jul 2; *Murder on the Nile*, Jul 7 - Sep 10; *Rumors*, Sep 15 - Nov 19; *A Christmas to Remember*, Nov 24 - Dec 31. 12401 Folsom Blvd, 985-6361.

The Lambda Players, *Last Summer at Bluefish Cove*, Jun 16 -25. Tickets, $10, Community Center Box Office, 13th & L Sts, $12 at the door. 442-7752.

Monday Night Melodrama, 111 K St, Old Sacramento, 442-5501.

Music Circus, *Jelly's Last Jam*, July 10-16; *Heartbeats*; July 17-23 *The Music Man*; July 24-30 *Nunsense*; July 31-Aug 6 *The Wizard of Oz*; Aug 7-13 *Paint Your Wagon*; Aug 14-20 *The Pirates of Penzance*; Aug 21-27 *She Loves Me*, 446-5880.

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African-American Art Gallery, Featuring Haitian artists and Accra, Ghana West African Artists, 3449 Watt Ave, 485-4516.

Barbetta's Beads, Arthur Balderrama - new works, May 13-31; "Noisemakers" group show, Jun 10-30. 2316 J St. 443-4959.

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Blooming Art, "Spring Flowers" Paula Wenzel, Debra Belt, Dorothy Steed. Thru Jun 3. 1901 Capitol Ave., 442-3800.

Crocker Art Museum, No. Calif. Youth Art Month Exhibition, thru May 14; Noh Masks by Adam Zollinger & the Ariake Mask Group of Japan, March 24-May 14; Roi Partridge etchings, thru May 7 216 O St. 264-7372.

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Fine Eye Gallery, Painted chairs by Grace and Chris Frasche', thru May 31. 71 Main St., Sutter Creek, 209-267-0571.

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Matrix Gallery, Juried competition. Thru May 5. Allison Sweetser and Miriam Hitchcock, oils and Children Impacted by AIDS, May 10 - Jun 3. 1725 I St. 441-4818.

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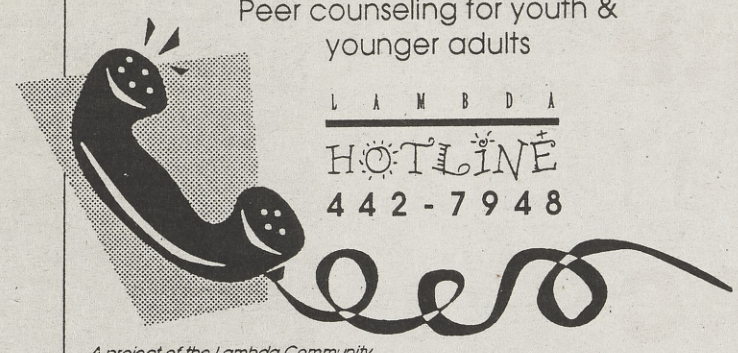

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